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EMPIRE NEWS

R.N.V.R. UNIT FORMED IN UGANDA

KAMPALA. A unit of the Royal Naval Volunteer Supplementary Reserve has been formed at Kampala, 800 miles from the sea. The branch will use the Yacht Club as headquarters.

The Kampala branch of the Reserve was formed as the result of a meeting of members of the Victoria Nyanza Sailing Club, which was addressed by Lt.-Cmdr. P. N. Churchill of the cruiser Gloucester, visiting Mombasa.

The commander explained the principles of trade defence policy in time of war and showed that many volunteers would be required by the Navy.

JAMAICA

CRITICISM BY THE GOVERNOR

KINGSTON, Jamaica. The Governor, Sir Arthur Richards, recently strongly criticised the elected members of the Jamaica Legislative Council for throwing out the Government Transport Bill.

He announced the intention of the Government to bring back the measure next year. The Government was not willing to grant a monopoly to any private enterprise to provide transport services for Kingston and Lower St. Andrew.

Several elected members took exception to the remarks of the Governor.

INDIA

BOMBAY CONCESSION TO PARSEES

BOMBAY. The Bombay Government has acceded to the demands of the Parsees regarding liquor for sacramental purposes in their homes as well as in their fire temples. Officiating priests are directed to keep a strict account of the liquor so administered. This is a gesture of conciliation to the religious susceptibilities of Parsees, who were foremost in the campaign against Prohibition.

Shri Meher Baba, the famous Parsee "spiritual leader," who has adherents all over the world, has decided to settle at Bangalore. He has asked the Mysore Government for a grant of land on which to open an ashram, or spiritual colony.

Meher's ashram is at present at Nasik, near Bombay. He has numerous European and American followers, including Princess Norma Matchabell, the actress, who played the part of the Madonna in the original production of "The Miracle" in London.

Meher became known as the "Silent Messiah" on account of his long period of silence. He visited London in 1933.

NEW ZEALAND

10 INCHES OF SNOW AT DUNEDIN

AUCKLAND. Recently 10 inches of snow fell on Dunedin. Business was disorganised. Roads leading to the city were blocked.

Snowstorms swept the South Island for two days and more falls occurred in the North Island.

KENYA

MOBASA STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK

MOBASA. The general strike here is gradually breaking down. Natives who were parading the streets armed with sticks and knives are filtering back to their jobs.

Work at the port is going slowly forward, though it is still subject to delay as labour remains short.

The real causes of the strike remain obscure.

AUTUMN ELECTION FOR SENATE

JOHANNESBURG. Senate elections will be held on Oct. 24, when 32 Senators will be elected, eight for each Province of the Union. Attempts made by Senator O. Hartog and Senator E. Brookes to reform the Senate and the elections have failed.

Whether the move for rejuvenating the personnel of the Upper House will be successful is rather doubtful. There will be a number of changes, however, including the replacement of the two Cabinet Ministers, Senator C. F. Clarkson, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, intends to contest the election for the assembly in Natal.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

Shippers are advised that on account of the actual hostilities, the rates of freights from Hongkong to Haiphong are increased by 20% as from the 7th of September, 1939.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of September, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Hennessy Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in 40 feet	Area in Acres	Upset Price
1	No. 5881	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 4068 Hennessy Road.	N. 100 feet. S. 100 feet. E. 100 feet. W. 100 feet.	As per sale plan.	1.960	\$44
						\$43,520

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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of September, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at King's Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in 40 feet	Area in Acres	Upset Price
2	No. 5882	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 4069 King's Road and Wing King Street.	N. 100 feet. S. 100 feet. E. 100 feet. W. 100 feet.	As per sale plan.	6.170	\$114
						\$12,510

Vacation Goes Up in Flames

Greenwich, Conn. Mrs. Hazelene Orr saved \$100 for a vacation trip and put it in a paper bag for safe keeping. When it disappeared she called police. An investigation was in full swing when Mrs. Orr suddenly remembered with grief she had absent-mindedly tossed the bag into an incinerator with other rubbish and burned her savings.

Girl, 19, Charged With Killing Sweetheart

Arrest On Recovery From A Wound

THERE was a sequel at Hatfield Police Court recently to the finding of Boy Corporal Frederick Walter Read (17), Royal Air Force, dead from a shot wound at Cuffley, Herts, on May 30, and nearby Miss Joyce Queenie Mary James (19) with a shot wound in the chest.

The girl, a domestic worker, living in Birkbeck Road, Enfield, was charged with murdering Read.

She had been discharged from hospital earlier in the day and was allowed to sit during the brief police court proceedings.

Detective-Inspector William Oxland said, that at Wellhouse Hospital, Barnet, that day he told James that he was going to arrest her on the charge.

He took her to Barnet police station. When she was cautioned and charged she replied, "What can I say?"

Asked by the clerk whether she wished to ask any question, she said "No."

She was remanded in custody.

News Is Stranger Than Fiction

JOHN MILLER lives at Teynham, Kent. Seven miles away at Bredgar lives his brother, Frederick. They meet but seldom.

Recently, John, who was married went to see his doctor. He collapsed in the doctor's surgery.

That day, too, Frederick went to his work on a farm. He fell from a cherry tree and injured his spine.

And later, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, twenty miles away, two men turned in their adjoining beds and recognised each other.

They were John and Frederick.

SOLDIERS ON CHARGE

Allegations of Robbery And Assault

Charged with assaulting Wong Kai-yu in Hankow Road on Monday and robbing him of a watch, Privates Percy Middleton, 23, James Wright, 24, and George Edward Chalkfield, 24, of the Middlesex Regiment were remanded for a week by Mr. Himmsworth at Kowloon Magistrate's court yesterday.

Two months' hard labour was imposed on Lee Kwok-choi, 17, unemployed, by Mr. Macdwyer at Kowloon Magistrate's court for the theft of a handbag from Miss L. d'Ermeest, of Austin Road.

Employment Of Ex-Officers

The War Office announced recently that it is engaged on a scheme by which retired Regular and Territorial officers, ex-officers and officers and certain other ranks at present serving with the Territorial Army and Supplementary Reserve are eligible for re-employment, attachment to units, or to short-service commissions on more favourable terms than those obtaining at present.

The chief features of the scheme are as follows:

Periods of service varying from one month to a maximum of three years—or the duration of the Military Training Act, if shorter.

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Details of the scheme, which will be published shortly, will include instructions as to where and how to apply. Pending such publication no applications, either written or personal, should be made to the War Office.

Y.M.C.A. FIXTURES

Sunday.—Discussion Group, 9 p.m. Prof. R. Robertson, "Nationalism and the International Ideal."

Monday.—Bandaging Class, 10.30 a.m. Flag whistle drive, 8.30 p.m. service lounge, ground floor, 50 cts.

Tuesday.—Bridge, 10 a.m. Badminton, 8.30 p.m. Mixed swimming, 6 p.m.

Wednesday.—Flag whistle and mah-jong, 10 a.m. Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs' second talk on Anatomy, 6 p.m. Service whistle drive, 8.30 p.m.

Thursday.—Mah-jong class, 10 a.m. Committee meeting, 10.30 a.m.

Friday.—Keep Fit class 10 a.m. Badminton, 8.30 p.m. Mixed swimming, 6 p.m.

PREMIER'S PRAISE FOR THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

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householders who so generously are providing homes for the mothers and children.

"Over 200,000 hospital beds are to-day ready for air raid casualties. Over 11,000 auxiliary nurses have joined the civil nursing reserve for service in the hospitals and first aid posts, but more of both trained nurses and auxiliaries are needed, especially women who can give whole-time service in any part of the country."

"The auxiliary fire service was mobilised quickly and on the whole able fire-fighting units are being kept permanently manned and ready for action. In London, for instance, there are over 1,800 fire pumps ready for action against about 125 in peace time."

Gaining Momentum

Concluding, Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped his statement would show the country that Britain's war effort was rapidly gaining momentum. "It has behind it the full weight of all the people of this country who are united in their conviction that no nation ever went to war in a higher cause."

"We are greatly heartened by the knowledge that in the struggle for the defence of liberty and free institutions, and for the preservation of all that makes life worth living, we can count on the support of the overseas members of the British Commonwealth."

"On their own free will and under no form of compulsion save the moral and compelling force of the right of nations, they have declared their intention of co-operating in a cause which is no less precious to them than it is to the people of England."

Mr. Arthur Greenwood thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his statement and asked the Premier to keep the country informed promptly whether the news was good or bad.

The Kiel action had been published on the day it had occurred it would have heartened the people.

Mr. Chamberlain said he did not want to circulate any information until all the facts had been ascertained, but, with experience, hoped they would do better in the future.

TRAIN ROUTES RE-OPENED

LONDON, Sept. 7. (Reuter).

—Train services between Rome and Paris will be resumed to-day.

Train services between Switzerland and Italy have already been resumed. The Orient Express will now travel as far as Paris instead of ending the service at Milan.

The Belgium air line resumed service yesterday between Belgium and England after having suspended its schedule for a week.

STOCK EXCHANGE RESUMES

LONDON, Sept. 7. (Reuter).—The London Stock Exchange resumed official business to-day, with prices generally firm and trading freer than last week.

Industrials were occasionally stronger and gilt-edged holdings were around the minimum.

The large demand for cotton was again unsatisfied on the Liverpool market as sellers withheld at to-day's pegged prices.

Wall Street was firm.

NEWS FLASHES

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have been fixed at those prevailing on August 31.

Refusal to sell at those prices renders the goods liable to seizure for sale by the Federal Government.

LONDON, Sept. 7. (Reuter).—M. Daladier and General Gamelin, head of the French forces, held a conference yesterday.

It is understood that in particular, they discussed the progress of the war on the Western Front.

Olympic Committee

San Francisco, Sept. 7. The German Consul-General in San Francisco has resigned his membership of the Olympic Club. He received a telegram warning him that 155 members had threatened to resign unless he did so.—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The few transactions reported indicate that amongst others H.K. Banks, Unions, Docks & Lands have more or less found their level, but an air of some uncertainty still exists with the remainder of the list.

Buyers

Hongkong Banks \$1,200
H.K. Docks \$14 1/4
Providents \$3.00
H.K. Hotels \$3.85
H.K. Lands \$30
H.K. Realties \$3 1/4
H.K. Trams \$14

Sales

Hongkong Banks \$1,200/25
Union Insurance \$330
H.K. Lands \$14 1/4
Providents \$4
H.K. Lands \$30
Electricity \$53
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Irayon Mining P's. 20 1/2 s
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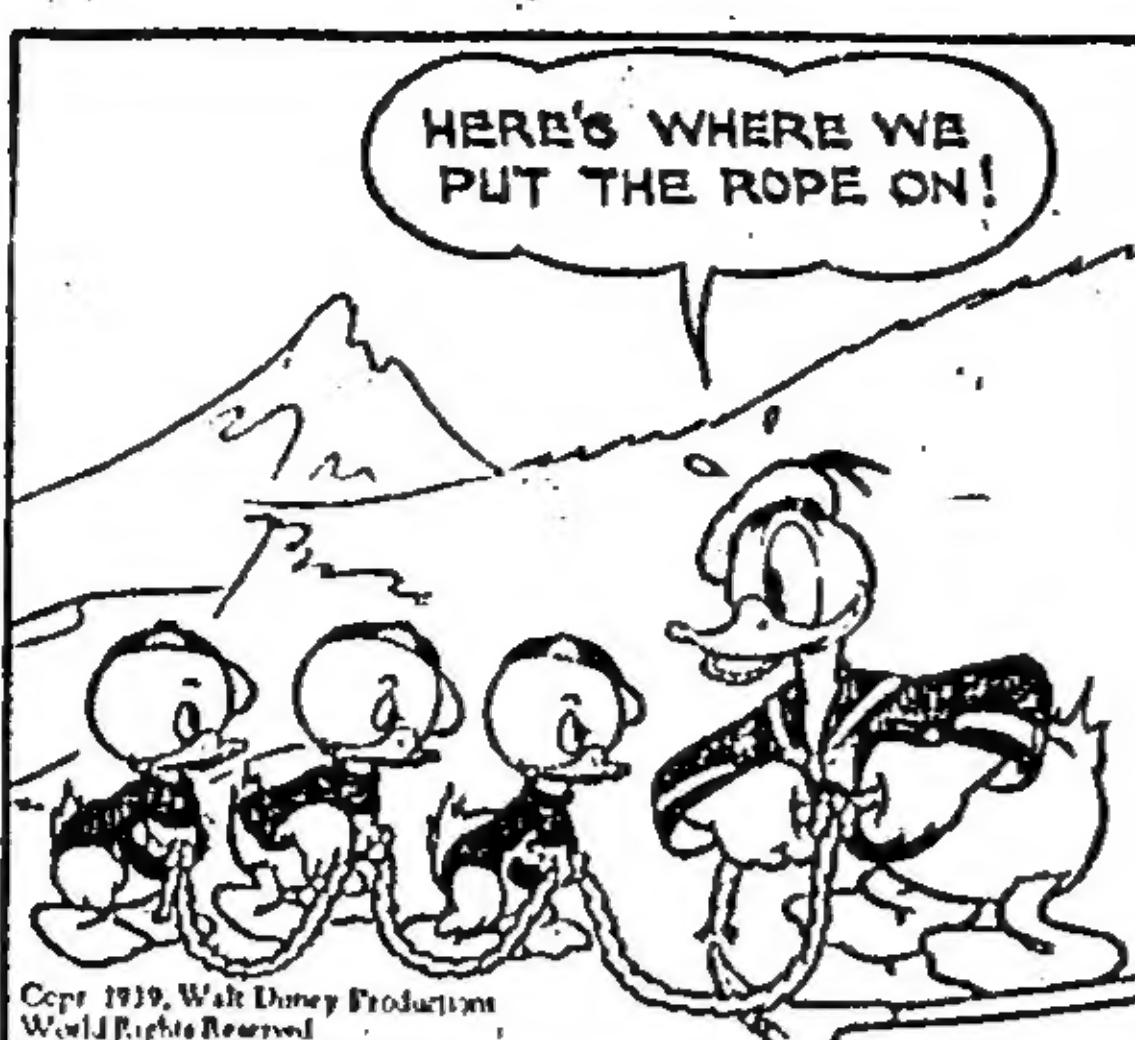
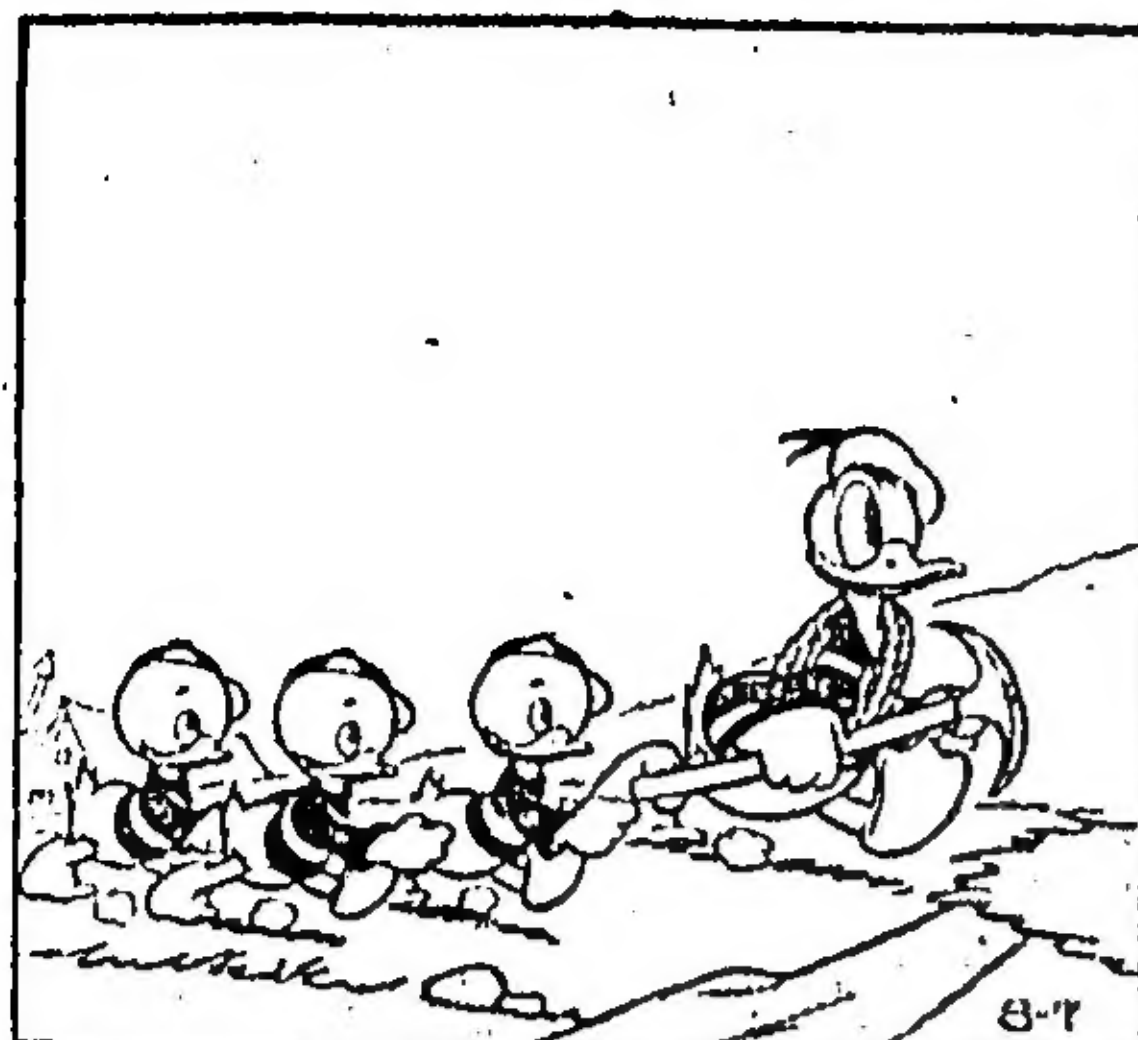
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Demolition Of Flat

Leads To Action
In Supreme Court

After giving evidence as a witness before Mr. Justice Lindsell in the Supreme Court yesterday, Ng Kau, contractor, was joined as defendant in an action in which Shum Ying-tong, Yun Kwong-chuen and Chow Tat-hing of Lai-chikok proceeded against Lee Chow-chuen of Dea Voex Road, Central.

Mr. M. A. da Silva acted for plaintiffs and Mr. D. McCallum for defendant.

Particulars of the claim were that plaintiffs were tenants of houses in Lai-chikok Road and defendant was landlord. About May 6, defendant caused a scaffolding to be erected by the side of the premises with a view to pulling them down. About May 23, he sent workmen to the houses and they removed windows, steel bars and the kitchen doors. Defendant threatened and intended to demolish the houses.

Plaintiffs claimed an order determining the rental of sitting tenants, an injunction restraining defendant from continuing the demolishing operations, damages not exceeding \$1,000, an injunction requiring defendant to restore the steel bars, windows and kitchen doors, that the scaffolding be removed and costs.

Mr. Silva applied to add Ng Kau as a defendant because it was divulged only at the last hearing that part of the defence was that Ng had carried out the demolishing work without permission.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that defendant's evidence might conclude soon and that no police had been served on the contractor.

Li Quan-min, cross-examined by Mr. Silva, said he had spoken to the tenants concerning the proposed demolition work. On April 11, he obtained permission from the Building Authorities and signed a contract with the contractor. Two letters of protest relating to the demolition work had been sent by the tenants but he had not replied.

Instructions to Contractor
Li said he told the contractor to stop the work but he did not know whether that was before an injunction order had been issued. He told the contractor not to interfere with the tenants' things when demolishing; by this he meant he had told the contractor not to start work.

After the service of the writ, said Li, he gave verbal instructions to the contractor to restore the premises. He promised to do so but so far had not done so. He had given no permission to the contractor to go on with the demolition work.

Mr. McCallum said he was relying on the point that he had not committed the trespass and that the responsibility for the demolition work was not his.

J. Moraes, architect, said on defendant's behalf, Lee instructed him to prepare plans for the modernising and renovating of the premises. He had given no instructions to the contractor to begin the work but it was understood he was to start after the tenants had left.

Ng Kau, contractor, said that after the contract had been signed, no

THE VOLUNTEERS Naval Section Men Called Up for Service

Further details of the Naval Volunteers were called out by a Proclamation issued in a Government Gazette Extraordinary yesterday. The men affected are:

Lieut. L. J. Stevenson.
Sub-Lieuts. L. P. Ralph, T. M. Parsons.
Cadets. H. P. Bailey, W. A. Johnson, J. Y. Hutton-Potts, K. A. Watson, C. M. Stark, J. M. Purvis, J. D. Collis.
Pay Sub-Lieut. F. McLeod, Warrant Officers E. W. Fielding, G. Fish, D. W. Morley, D. B. Izatt, W. Fogwill, A. E. Bates, A. R. Brown, F. W. Ambrose, T. J. Price, T. A. Martin, W. M. Wright.

In addition there are 10 Chinese seamen, 49 ordinary seamen, four ordinary signallers and an ordinary telegraphist.

Personnel Increased
The Proclamation also increases the personnel of the Naval Volunteers. The composition will now be one Captain, two Commanders, six Lieutenant-Commanders, 17 Lieutenants and 32 Sub-Lieutenants in the executive branch, and a Commander, a Lieutenant-Commander, a Lieutenant and a Sub-Lieutenant in the engineering branch. Similar increases have been made in all branches.

There has also been formed a mine watching branch of warrant officers and ratings (European) who will be residents who, by reason of distance from Hongkong, will not be able to attend local drills.

EMBARGO ON EXPORTS Long List of Materials To Be Prohibited

The prohibition of a large number of exports, unless by licence, was announced in a Government Gazette Extraordinary last night by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Controller of Trade. The order comes into force at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

The goods affected are:
Antimony, Aluminium, Bismuth, Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Mercury, Nickel, Palladium, etc., Platinum, Ferro-alloy, Tin in Blocks, Non-Ferrous Scrap, Old Metal Iron, Steel Scrap and Waste Zinc.

Flux, including Waste Hemp of all kinds, Jute, Wolfram, Silk.
Raw Cotton, Cotton Waste and Linter, Groundnuts, Linseed, Palm Oil, Linseed Oil, Coconut Oil, Cotton Seed Oil, Oil Seed Cake and Meal, Petroleum Products, Copal, Shellac, Flax, Mica, Talcum, Glycerine, Rubber (and Rubber Scrap), Radium Compound, Photographic Materials.

date was mentioned as to when he was to start, but a condition was he was to commence when he was instructed by the landlord. He had never been instructed by the landlord. After receiving permission from the Building Authorities he had seen the tenants who said if he wanted to start work they would have to move away. The architect had not given him instructions as to when to begin work, neither were such orders given him by Li. He had started work contrary to instructions. As far as he was aware no damage was caused to the tenants' property.

Before the case was adjourned to October 9, Mr. Lindsell made an Injunction, qualified by consent, to allow the putting up of new windows.

The War In The Air DOG-FIGHT OVER SOUTHEND

London, Sept. 7.
The first aerial dog-fight occurred near Southend. A correspondent was told by an eyewitness that a group of British Spitfire pursuit machines was attacked by 20 German planes flying in formation amid a ring of flame from exploding anti-aircraft shells. One German plane left the formation and, it is believed, was subsequently brought down. Meanwhile the formation flight was reorganised into groups of four and five.—United Press.

Grounded Aircraft
London, Sept. 7.
The people of London have been told what to do when they see grounded aircraft. They are to telephone the Police and help the injured whenever possible.

In case a machine is believed to be an enemy craft, they are warned not to approach as the plane may be blown up.—Reuter Bulletin.

France Learning
Paris, Sept. 7.
An announcement has been made modifying air raid precautions to reduce the number of alarms.

So far the alarm has been sounded whenever a plane, enemy or even of doubtful nationality, was detected, whether it intended bombing or was merely reconnoitring.

It is expected that henceforth the alarm will be sounded only in case of real or imminent danger of bombing.—United Press.

First Undisturbed Night
Paris, Sept. 7.
Parisians had their first real night's rest in three days, which was appreciated, in the absence of the dreaded air raid alarms.

They caught up some of the lost sleep and went to work this morning in a more cheerful mood, but perfectly aware that the alarm may be sounded at any moment.

Life has slowed down and there is a relative return to normal conditions. Trains are keeping to schedule, kiosks are open, morning papers are on sale and cafes are serving.—United Press.

Preventing Burglaries
Paris, Sept. 7.
The French authorities have announced that any person entering a building for the purpose of burglary during an air raid is liable to the death penalty.

A reduction in prices of the shops in Paris for soldiers is announced.—Reuter Bulletin.

Heavy German Losses
Paris, Sept. 7.
A Polish General Staff communique states that the Germans made no notable progress on the front to-day. Fifteen German planes were brought down to-day and 20 yesterday.—United Press.

Air Attacks Successful
Berlin, Sept. 7.
A communique says that the Warsaw West Station was bombed and is in flames and that the bridges south of Warsaw over the Vistula have been destroyed.—United Press.

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War Waste

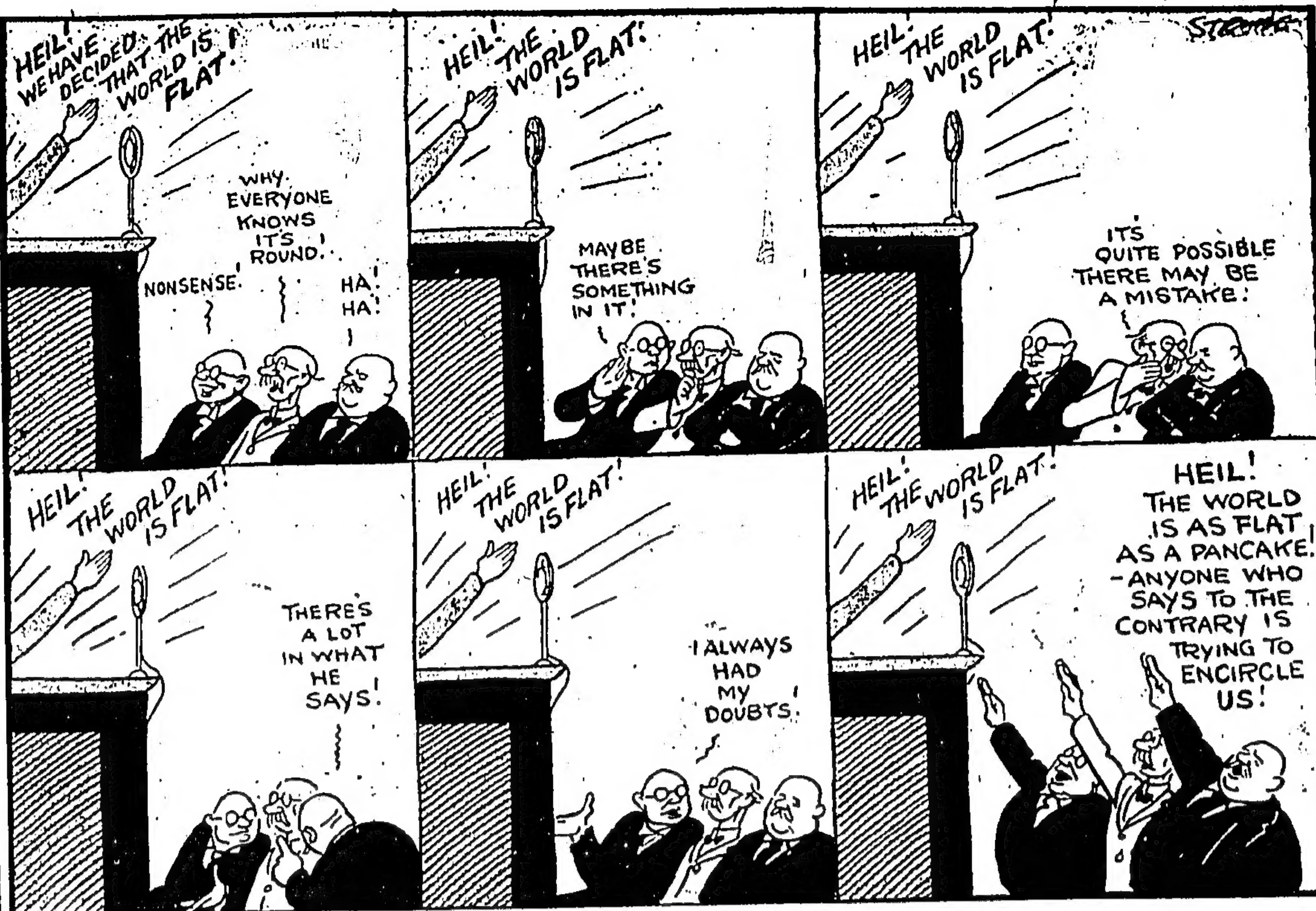
THE deplorable wastefulness of war is painfully exemplified by what has taken place in China since the beginning of this year. In the last seven or eight years hundreds of miles of motor roads were completed in Hunan and Kiangsi, linking the principal towns. It was a work of very great difficulty and labour. Thousands of bridges and culverts had to be built, and in hilly regions the track had to be hewn out of the solid rock.

This made an enormous change for the better in the social and economic life of the people. But it had other and unforeseen results. This network of roads enabled the Japanese to make rapid advance on towns evacuated by Chinese troops and civilians.

To prevent this the Chinese have resolved to destroy utterly what they had accomplished at such cost.

A correspondent of the *Times* tells how thoroughly this act of sacrifice has been carried out. He says that these roads, covering an area the size of England and Wales, have been entirely destroyed. Thousands of men are working to make rebuilding impossible. Every bridge and culvert has been torn down or blown up. Deep and wide trenches have been dug at intervals of a hundred yards. Even the old paths through the rice fields and over the mountain passes have been obliterated. On low-lying land the way has been ploughed and flooded, and is already planted with rice. It would be the work of a few hours to break up the narrow tracks that remain and leave the whole countryside a series of flooded valleys knee-deep in mud.

Much has been told in history of the heroism of hard-pressed nations flooding their country to impede the advance of invaders. But surely nothing on so extensive a scale as this in China. It tells more than many battles of the determination of the Chinese people to preserve their integrity and freedom at any cost.



IMPROPAGANDA

—Strube in the "Daily Express".

Soldier Statesman

The Man who brought South Africa
Into the War Yesterday

IF a world federation of States could be brought into existence to-morrow, there are a good many people who would vote for General Smuts as the best possible president.

He has that balance of gifts that helps to ensure both sanity and order. He combines moral idealism with hard practical sense. He is a fearless fighter, with a genius for compromise at the auspicious moment. He is a believer in liberty and a disciplinarian. And he has a versatile brain that seems capable of mastering any problem to which it applies itself.

I doubt, however, whether the mass of Englishmen have more than a vague knowledge of the personality and career of this extraordinary man. To most of them the facts related in Mrs. Sarah Gertrude Millin's biography, "General Smuts," published recently, will have the exciting freshness of news.

Comparatively few people even know that the Smuts who was afterwards to fight for the Boers against the British was born a British subject in the Cape of Good Hope. A feeble child, he was not expected to live long, and did not learn to read or write till he was 12 years old. He remained "pale and weedy" till he became a soldier in the war, but, to compensate for this, he possessed "terrific" energy, which was manifest even in his school days.

This was shown in the last week of his last term at school when, knowing no Greek, he had to learn enough Greek to pass his matriculation. "On Monday he took up his Greek grammar. . . . He read it violently for six days and then he knew it by heart, the whole book—declensions, conjugations, irregular verbs and all." As a result of this and similar exploits, he came out first in the examination.

He showed the same spirit of

determination in pushing himself through Cambridge with the aid of a scholarship and borrowed money. He intended to become a lawyer, and, with this object in view, he was scarcely even tempted by pleasure.

To the present day, he does not smoke or drink or play cards. He has always disliked dancing and games and "girls as girls." He cares nothing for pictures or music. He does not mind how he eats or lives. "He likes to be uncomfortable."

At the same time, his asceticism was never that of a man bent at all costs upon worldly success. He loved books—especially poetry, such as that of Whitman, which seemed to give life a meaning and purpose.

While at Cambridge, indeed, he wrote a book on Whitman which was rejected—with compliments—by George Meredith, then "reading" for Chapman and Hall.

Returning to South Africa, he was drawn to Cecil Rhodes as a worker for unity between the Dutch and the English. Shocked by the Jameson Raid, however, he joined the Transvaal Bar and became State Attorney under Kruger. Even so, he did all in his power to prevent war between the Dutch and the English. When compromise proved impossible, he entered on a new career and ultimately became a leader in guerrilla warfare comparable in some respects with Lawrence of Arabia.

That was the period of his life, he declares, in which he took the greatest "boyish" satisfaction. He found that he had "no bodily fear." He was temporarily indifferent to death and wounds, not only for himself but for others. "The men who were affected by the dead and wounded," he said afterwards, "were the neurotics."

Mrs. Millin gives us an unforgettable picture of this tattered General, invading Cape Colony with his tiny forces, eluding the army of a great Empire—a soldier at once on the offensive and on the run, carrying a Greek Testament

and Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" in his saddle-bag.

The present volume of Mrs. Millin's biography brings the story of General Smuts down only to the day in 1917 on which Mr. Lloyd George invited him to join the War Cabinet. But by that time he had already proved himself the great fighter and the great peacemaker that the world knows.

He had helped to make peace with the English at the right moment, and to preserve that peace by persuading the Liberal Cabinet to restore freedom to South Africa. He had faced rebellion and revolution at home indifferent alike to calumny and danger. And his wisdom was as remarkable as his courage. Speaking of the rebellion of 1914 he said: "Was not the rebellion of 1914 quite understandable? We understood it and treated the rebels with leniency."

General Smuts, however, would modestly disclaim any praise of himself as an ideal leader during those years and the years in which he fought the Germans in East Africa. He had "hungry, angry eyes," Mrs. Millin declares, till, at the age

of 50, he came to Paris during the peace negotiations. General Smuts would agree with her:

"The misery after the Boer War was nothing to it," he says. "It was a break in one's own life, but not in the whole world. Paris showed me the crack in life itself. It changed me. I am a softer man than I used to be. Whether for better or for worse, I don't know. I was hard as a young man—hard and confident and successful."

It is the softer, more human post-war Smuts that a large part of the civilised world has come to trust and honour—the patriot who believes that "civilisation is one body, and we are all members one of another." It is true that Mrs. Millin, in her brilliant and scrupulously faithful narrative, claims that he was always "a natural negotiator, a believer in conference." But it is only since the War that General Smuts has had an opportunity of applying his genius in this sphere to problems on the solution of which depend the safety and happiness of mankind. And to-day, when he addresses the world, it is as one of the wisest and most magnanimous of its fallible inhabitants.

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OVERNIGHT
NEWS PAGEEire Takes
Precautions

Dublin, Sept. 7. Although Eire is neutral, emergency defence measures have been rapidly inaugurated, including the calling out of certain reserves, black-outs, air raid trenches and censorship of mails and telegrams. The Government has announced that from now Irish ships must obtain licences before sailing. Diving centres are being carried out in Mount Joy Square.

Black-outs have so far been less rigid than in Britain, but they will now be complete.

Officers in the general reserve, and non-commissioned officers as well as certain officers and men of the volunteer force, have been called up. —United Press.

War Situation

PREMIER
TELLS THE
COMMONS
Tribute To Poles

London, Sept. 7. Making his promised statement in the House of Commons on the progress of the war, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said:

"The House will realise it is only possible to give a general indication of the present situation and the state of our defence, as there are necessarily a number of points to which, in the public interest, it is impossible to refer."

"In the East the Poles are fighting hard against a strong and ruthless enemy who is relying on his weight of numbers and on his superior equipment to crush all opposition. The Polish soldier has ever shown himself to be a courageous and determined fighter and today he is worthily maintaining this tradition."

"Against overwhelming superiority in the air and in contesting every yard of the German advance."

"The Germans have often stressed the need for a short war and a quick decision. In pursuance of this idea the German plan appears to be to concentrate their main effort against Poland, and as the House is aware, that country was invaded just over a week ago without formal declaration of war."

Morale Unaffected

"In spite of human and material losses which they have already suffered, the morale and courage of the Polish people remains unaffected. Financial assistance to Poland has enabled her to replenish her resources."

"In the West, France has, like ourselves, mobilised her forces with complete efficiency and smoothness and is now in contact with the enemy on her frontier. Certain information has been published of what has taken place, but for obvious reasons no details can yet be disclosed. The outbreak of war found the same spirit of determination and solidarity among the French people as is evident here."

"The understanding between the two countries is complete, and arrangements which have now been put into force for the co-operation in all their activities concerned with the prosecution of the war are working smoothly."

Home Defences

"In this country the defensive military dispositions of our army, which cover a very wide field, were made in good time owing to precautionary measures which it was decided to adopt during the period of tension. The training of anti-aircraft and coast defences was efficiently carried out. Within a short time of calling out our units guns and searchlights were fully manned. Since a large number of anti-aircraft units were in camp and away from their home stations, this reflects great credit on their organisation."

"Guarding vulnerable points has been taken over by the national defence companies, supplemented by personnel of the Territorial Army. The personnel reached their posts with the minimum of delay and under trying weather conditions."

Women's Work

"The mobilisation of the remainder of the army has been carried out with the greatest smoothness. The morale of all ranks is high, and in particular the spirit of the reservists recalled from civil life, some of whom have already this year been called for training, is excellent."

"I should like to make special mention of the women of the Auxiliary Territorial Services, who are performing many tasks under arduous conditions, and thereby relieving soldiers for fighting duties."

"Turning to the naval side the important feature up to the present has been the development of the German U-boat attacks on our shipping."

"The sinking of the Athenia with its scenes of death and terror virtually opened the war and no denials or inventions on part of Germany will convince the public of German innocence of this crime, which profoundly shocked and horrified the world.—Reuter.

POLES
STRONG
CONTEMPLATING
COUNTER-ATTACKBritish Troops Are
Landed In France

Hostilities on the Western Front have begun on a large scale, though no impressive engagements have been fought and it is announced that the positions of both armies having been prepared so long beforehand, spectacular engagements are unlikely.

The French have, however, penetrated German territory in the Saar area and report considerable artillery duels.

British troops are reported to be "pouring into France", while the latter country confidently states that British aid during the early stages of the war is likely to be vastly greater than during 1914-15 owing to Britain's greater preparedness.

Various quarters point out that the Poles have used good sense to withdraw from difficult positions which were never considered safe to try and hold, but that the German advance may not have been as fast as Germany anticipated and that resistance is by no means at an end in the East.

London, Sept. 7. The first week of the German campaign has ended in Poland with a pincer movement extending to the north and south. According to military opinion here, resolute measures are needed at present in Warsaw, which is the focal point of Poland's rail and road communications, to prevent them falling into the hands of the enemy.

However, the Poles may be planning a counter-attack on the German left flank to relieve the threat, in view of reports that there is heavy fighting on the Plock-Ciechanow line, to which reinforcements have been rushed.

German troops are now obviously taking considerable interest in the importance of the Vistula as a barrier. The left flank of the German advance is now much exposed.

The fate of Warsaw is believed to depend on whether the Poles still possess enough reserves to be able at the same time they are resisting the German pressure on the right flank in the Lodz sector, to counter-attack in the north.

Tactics Foreseen

Experts said that the German advances were forecast at the Polish frontier where the line itself is favourable to a pincer movement towards Warsaw.

It is believed that the Poles are wisely not engaging the bulk of their forces to defend territory which they were never intended that they should hold against a mass attack, leaving available for a counter-attack to their reserves.

Nothing sensational is reported from the western front. At present it is reported that tactical conditions are wholly different to those prevailing in 1914, when troops manoeuvred in the open country and clashed within the first few hours of the war.

To-day the Siegfried Line and Maginot Line are prepared lines, preventing only localised contact between outposts, while the great armies are engaged previously prepared lines of considerable depth while the grand secret strategy develops.

"The allies' initial operations are proceeding in integrity, but with the greatest secrecy. They are sweeping German shipping from the seas. They have obviously begun a convoy system and enemy submarines are being attacked.—United Press.

Times Follow Strategy

London, Sept. 7. A glance at the map will show the folly of any attempt to hold the Polish frontiers against attack in force, declares The Times leader on the progress of the war. The German advances, therefore, have not been unexpected either in extent or speed, and may even in both respects have been inferior to German expectations.

The Polish skill and courage have made the enemy pay a considerable price, and it does seem that the Poles have wisely not engaged the bulk of their forces in defence of the territories which they never intended to hold against mass attacks.

The public must therefore be prepared for further German advances which may even be considerable in the north, but there is no sign whatever on the Polish side of the depression which would follow a strategic defeat.

As for the actual conduct of operations, it will have been observed that Hitler has naturally broken his promise to confine air attacks to military objectives. The German Air Force has been ruthlessly and effectively used, not only on the battlefield but also against open towns.—Reuter.

Streams Of Evacuees

Warsaw, Sept. 7. Most of the population of Warsaw has evacuated, but there are streams of refugees entering the capital from Lodz, 70 miles south-west of Warsaw.—Reuter Bulletin.

Corridor Eliminated

Berlin, Sept. 7. The Germans claim that Danzig and East Prussia are no longer separated by a corridor. Hitler is reported to be visiting this section of the front.—Reuter Bulletin.

Poles Surrender

Berlin, Sept. 7. The Berlin War Ministry announces that the Polish garrison at Westerplatte, in Danzig, surrendered at 10.20 a.m. A tribute is paid to their courage.—United Press.

This garrison was holding a Polish munitions dump near the entrance to the Harbour.

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Seven Miles Gain

Paris, Sept. 7. It is telephonically reported from the Western Front at 6 a.m. that 600 French tanks have succeeded in penetrating the German lines up to a distance of seven miles, in several sectors.

Several Saar villages have been captured by the French forces, which are now apparently concentrating all their attention on the drive towards the provincial capital, Saarbrücken.—United Press.

British Troops Arriving

Paris, Sept. 7. A war communiqué issued at 11 a.m. states that activity has been marked on both sides of the front. British troops pour into France, and French artillery continue to pound the German defences. Fighting continues on the entire line between the Rhine and Moselle.—United Press.

Rapid Advance

London, Sept. 7. The Polish radio station today announced that "the French troops late last night reached the outskirts of Saarbrücken."

The advance was so rapid that the Germans lacked sufficient time to evacuate the municipalities and administrative centres of several small towns.—United Press.

"All Quiet" Report

Berlin, Sept. 7. The German High Command announced that "not a shot has been fired on the Western Front" and described the Paris reports of penetration as "nonsense".—United Press.

Mopping Up Operations

Paris, Sept. 7. A war communiqué issued this morning states that there has been marked activity on both sides.

Newspaper reports say that French troops crossed the frontier and mopped up the German machine gun nests in No Man's Land. A heavy French artillery bombardment was reported.—United Press.

AMERICA WATCHING
THE FAR EAST

Tokyo, Sept. 7. It is possible that the United States will co-operate with Japan in the Far East in the not distant future if Japan refrains from using violence in China and does not disturb peaceful conditions there, the New York correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun declares, quoting informed observers in America.

With Great Britain allegedly having her hands full in Europe, the United States is apparently the only Power able to guard the Western Hemisphere in the Orient.

The United States is also now more occupied with European affairs than with Far Eastern questions, according to the report. What attention she does devote to conditions in China is evoked mainly by the fear that Japan might aggravate her policy in China in view of the European war.

Japan's policies will have far-reaching effects on the course of events in Europe and in consideration of these circumstances the United States is now viewing Japan's attitude with cautious eyes, the Asahi correspondent says.—Domei.

America Is Watching

Washington, Sept. 7. Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, told the Press that the United States was paying full attention to developments in the Far East, such as the Japanese request to the British and French to withdraw their armed forces from China.

He said that America would continue to study the situation closely in reply to question as to whether the United States' Far Eastern policy might change should the British and French comply with the Japanese request.

Informed circles think that the United States' actions at present are more significant than words. It is pointed out that the fleet continues to be stationed in the Pacific, while larger forces have been sent to Manila.

It is thought here that Far Eastern policies will not be changed, because the United States is traditionally considered to have had more direct special interests there, and hence she is more likely to be involved in hostilities if policies are modified than if she changed her European policy.

Japan's Reasonable Tone

It is pointed out that the tone of Japan's request to Britain and France is not bellicose and could not be termed as a formal demand, for which reason it is thought that it appeared to be more the placing of a Japanese desire on record, to be referred to in future negotiations.

Mr. Cordell Hull said that he had received no information regarding the British and French reaction, but he thought that the British and French residents and naval and military authorities in the Far East would bitterly oppose the demand, while New Zealand and Australia's influence was likely to be opposed also.

Other Far Eastern observers think that Japan's policy is likely to be more cautious, particularly as there are large profits to be obtained by maintaining a neutrality, which would depend on normal trade relations with the United States.—United Press.

Unrest Grows
In Reich

Brussels, Sept. 7. The newspaper Siede, quoting an Italian broadcast, reports anti-war demonstrations in Berlin, Prague and Vienna. These were brutally dispersed by the Gestapo.

The Journal Libre de Belgique reports disorders in Cologne, Düsseldorf, Essen, Bonn and Pilsen, where the great Skoda armament works are situated.

Strong detachments of Black Guards have been sent to Dresden and Leipzig and to Bohemia and Moravia.—Reuter.

Big Neutral
Bloc
Americans Stand
Firm On Action

Panama City, Sept. 7. The largest neutral bloc in the history of the world appeared to be in process of development after it was announced that the Pan-American meeting on September 21 will discuss the feasibility of making a common declaration in pursuance of the Lima declaration.

The swift evolution of neutrality sentiment in the Western Hemisphere—except Canada—has been contracted from the previous war when the slow policies culminated in declarations of war by eight countries for France and German allies, while seven were permanently neutral.

Argentina, Brazil and Chile—the ABC bloc—have already announced their neutrality. It is now widely learned that they are determined to remain neutral even if the United States enters the war.

Similar declarations have been made in Mexico, Cuba, the United States and Uruguay, while Nicaragua and Colombia will make an announcement at the conference.—United Press.

carried out to enable the French troops to consolidate their advance.—Reuter Bulletin.

France Is Efficient

Paris, Sept. 7. The following is the text of a war communiqué:

Our advance elements progressing beyond the frontier in varying advances on diverse parts of the front, are everywhere meeting with resistance from automatic arms and campaign organisations.

Aviation activity is proceeding in liaison with land action.

The transport installations of all units are proceeding normally.

Diverse army sectors, in conformity with our traditions, are making an effort to facilitate as far as possible the normal life of the corps, whose morale is excellent.

The supplying of arms is functioning in correct manner.—United Press.

Moving Toward Saarbrücken

London, Sept. 7. In a broadcast by the B.B.C. it is stated that French troops led by tanks penetrated the western front and are passing towards Saarbrücken. Heavy fighting is going on in the Moselle region.—United Press.

Action Along Big Sector

Paris, Sept. 7. Action along the entire frontier between the Rhine and Moselle is reported.—Reuter Bulletin.

Japan
And The
European
Conflict

Shanghai, Sept. 7. Mr. Yoshikida Miura, the Japanese Consul-General yesterday visited the British, French and German Consuls-General in Shanghai and communicated the Japanese Government's decision not to intervene in the European war.

A Japanese Navy spokesman revealed that, in accordance with the Japanese Government's decision which was communicated to the foreign Ambassadors concerned on Tuesday, Rear-Admiral Kusaku, representing Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Fleet in China Waters, called on the British and French Naval Commanders in Shanghai yesterday and asked them to comply with the Japanese advice.

The spokesman pointed out that the Japanese decisions were made with a view to avoiding untoward incidents in China in connection with the European war, while Japan would remain neutral and pursue her established policy in China.—Domei.

Cultural Activities

Tokyo, Sept. 7. Acting in line with the Government's decision not to intervene in the European war, various international cultural institutions in Japan, including the Society for International Cultural Relations, have decided to continue their activities irrespective of the European war.

Following the outbreak of the war in Europe, these bodies were understood to have suspended activity temporarily. Encouraged by the Government's decision to remain neutral, however, the Society for International Cultural Relations and other organisations will continue to maintain contact with Britain, France, Italy, Germany and other countries abroad.—Domei.

Currency Problems

Tokyo, Sept. 7. There are still no sufficient indications that the Ministry of Finance is planning to modify the linking of the Japanese currency with sterling despite the outbreak of the European war, the Asahi Shimbun points out.

Recent fall in the Anglo-American rate has considerably affected the Yen against the U.S. dollar. It is understood that the authorities were contemplating the possibility of switching the Yen link from sterling to the U.S. dollar in the event of serious fluctuations in the Anglo-American cross-rate.

The British Government has announced that the Anglo-American cross-rate will be maintained at U.S.\$4.02, and as a result the Yen-Dollar rate has been forced down to 23 1/2 U.S. cents per yen. The change in the Yen-Dollar rate has raised the prices of raw silk and other Japanese exports to America.

With the prices of imports from America also advancing, Japan's living costs are showing signs of increase.

Unless the Anglo-American cross-rate is changed, however, the new level in the Yen-Dollar exchange rate will be understood, remain unchanged. Interested circles are studying the problem of whether the present Yen-Dollar rate is suitable for the economic conditions in Japan.—Domei.

Attitude Of The Navy

Tokyo, Sept. 7. For the sake of a speedy settlement of the China Affair, the Japanese Navy does not want the European war to spread to the Far East, Rear-Admiral Masao Kanasawa, Chief of the Publicity Bureau of the Navy Ministry, declared at the Press Conference this morning.

Admiral Kanasawa said no changes have taken place in the policy of the Japanese Navy, which has been on the war footing since the outbreak of the China Affair.

Questioned regarding the rumours that Japanese shipping interests were negotiating for the purchase of the German steamers staying in Japan, the Navy spokesman pointed out that they were mere rumours and the Navy had nothing to do with them.

Concluding, the Japanese Navy spokesman added that the Japanese Navy's policy was calculated not to intervene in the European war and that its uppermost concern was the successful completion of the China Affair.—Domei.

Report Is Denied

Shanghai, Sept. 7. The British Embassy has denied the report appearing in the Japan Times that the British land and naval forces in Japanese occupied China areas are leaving immediately for Hongkong and Singapore, respectively.

A British spokesman said that they had not received any such orders for evacuation from the Government, and that it was highly improbable that the British troops and ships would leave soon.

He said that Japan's request for evacuation was made on Tuesday and communicated to the Home Government. However, London had not yet replied or given any orders in this connection.—United Press.

Ambassador Told

London, Sept. 7. The Ministry of Information has announced that the British Ambassador in Tokyo has received a communication from the Japanese Government to the effect that Japan does not intend to become involved in the European war.

The Japanese Government has requested that the British Government should refrain from taking any measures such as might prejudice Japan's position with regard to the China affair.—United Press.



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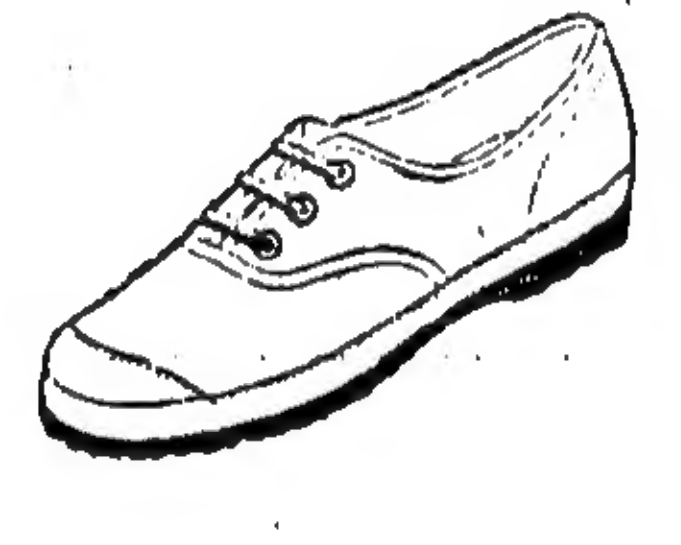
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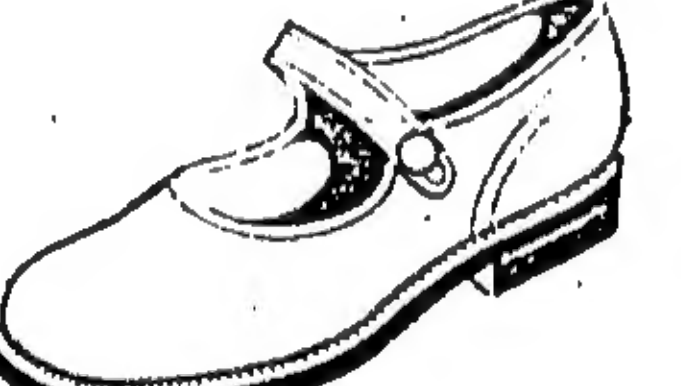
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A list of the draw is appended below:

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3	L. C. L.	Ches.	Graculus
4	Marber J.	Ches. M.	Stare
5	Mrs. Pearce	Bay	Carma Younger
6	Dr. Lee Shiu-kee	Bay M.	Little Toy
7	H. Y. Liang	Bay M.	Canterbury King
8	Ha Tong-sen	Bay M.	Lynnregis
9	Li and Edgar	Ches. M.	Powers Court
10	Gredka	Bay M.	Brewan
11	Vinda	Bay M.	Sum King
12	Crystal	Brown M.	Kingspear
13	Ellandee	Ches. M.	Double Court
14	Winner	Ches.	Dinarth Jim
15	Lan	Bay M.	Farr
16	H. W.	Bay M.	Barleypear
17	C. W. K.	Bay M.	Graculus
18	L. Reidy	Bay	Chocolate
19	Wayfoong	Ches. M.	Double Court
20	G. Tinsan	Brown M.	Sum King
21	Chau Bros.	Bay M.	Polycaste
22	O. K.	Bay M.	Wedge
23	Kwong Hing-wang	Ches. M.	Midnight Frolic
24	J. F. Macgregor	Ches.	Monash Valley
25	Dynasty	Ches. M.	Hoburns
26	Quartermaster	Ches. M.	Monash Valley
27	Li Bros.	Bay M.	Grand Alliance
28	Huo	Bay	Spearfoot
29	John Peel	Bay	Modest Morn
30	D. L.	Brown M.	Tresco
31	Andrew Johnstone	Ches. M.	Black Adder
32	S. W. Chan	Brown	Check
33	Weetoo	Bay	Sum King
34	H. Y. Chung	Bay M.	Brewan
35	Mrs. Yu Tong-sen	Bay	Caravis
36	Cholce	Brown M.	Lorain
37	Marber	Ches.	Caravis
38	Y. L. Y.	Bay	Caravis
39	Mr. and Mrs. Stanton	Bay M.	Comus
40	Tennis	Bay M.	Chrysolaeus
41	S. L. K.	Bay M.	Caravis
42	L. W. S.	Ches. M.	Prince Clara
43	Diamonds	Ches. M.	Philensia
44	Li Po-chun	Bay	Third King
45	Yam Man	Bay	Magnesia
46	Lucky	Ches. M.	Excitement
47	Mr. Williamson	Bay M.	Barleypear
48	Mrs. H. Y. Chung	Brown M.	Lorain
49	Dr. S. N. Chan	Brown M.	Civilian
50	Ash	Brown M.	Civilian
51	Y. H.	Brown M.	Magnesia
52	Li Shiu-han	Bay	Seabound
53	Shields and Stanton	Ches.	Paclet
54	Mrs. A. E. Grasett	Ches.	Farr
55	S. W. Lee	Ches. M.	George Graves
56	Lee Bros.	Brown	Double Court
57	Li Dunbar	Ches. M.	Graculus
58	M. K. K.	Bay M.	Double Court
59	Li J. Jensen	Bay M.	Comanche
60	Cocoon	Ches. M.	Balmorino

THREE REJECTED
It has always been the custom for the suppliers to ship along a few extra cobs and it may be of interest to know that only three out of the consignment of 64 ponies were rejected by the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club. It was the biggest batch of Australian ponies imported since its introduction; in fact three times more than the first trial consignment of 20 animals landed here for the 1931 Annual Carnival. It will be recalled that the Stewards limited this year's order to sixty ponies, but the actual amount subscribed for by the members was just one over 80.

At one time some Chinese owners were not in favour of these animals from the Antipodes owing to the difficulty of breaking them. There was also some prejudice in another section that the ponies could not stand much racing. To cut the long story short, the tide has now turned in favour of the Australian cobs and they certainly provide better racing. I enumerate below a list showing the number of subscription griffins imported since 1931:

Year	Ponies drawn	Winner of Rooty-Hill Derby
1931	20	Polar Star
1932	22	Night Star
1933	24	Able Amazon
1934	26	Cold Morning
1935	28	Yo-Ilo
1936	30	Gypsy Love
1937	32	Tornado Star
1938	34	Triumphant Day
1939	36	
1940	38	

INCREASED NUMBER
Rooty-Hill Derby was first run in 1932, but if the classic event had been introduced a year earlier, Woodland Stag would have annexed the Blue Riband without any opposition. However the above list shows that the importation of Australian ponies was quite steady from 1936 to 1938 averaging 40 odd per year, but the barometer suddenly jumped up to 55 ponies this season and it looks that there is not much of a chance for the mercury to be much higher than 60 on account of the limitation by the Stewards. Owing to the size of our race track I am of the opinion that 60 ponies are beyond the limit and I shall not be surprised to see that the Sydney Maiden Stakes being divided into three sections.

This bunch of ponies, which will be seen in action at the 1940 Annual Meeting, has cost each owner an additional \$100 and the advance over last season's price was an improved type of animals. The increase was certainly justified; in fact the consignment was far above



M. W. MacGrath
Hongkong's loss is Bermuda's gain.

RUGGERITE LEAVING COLONY

M. W. MacGrath Goes To Bermuda

Local rugby circles will regret to learn that M. W. MacGrath, the Club full-back, has been transferred to Bermuda and will be leaving the Colony by the President Pierce tomorrow.

Since he came to Hongkong from Singapore two years ago, MacGrath has been turning out regularly for the Hongkong F.C. 1st XV, first as a three-quarter and later as full back. A most versatile player, he has also filled the fly-half position when the occasion arose.

During his two-year stay in Hongkong, MacGrath has held the post of Assistant Armament Supply Officer at H. M. Dockyard. A cable arrived a few days ago notifying him of his transfer to Bermuda.

MacGrath's cheery nature has earned him many friends in Hongkong and they will all wish him and Mrs. MacGrath the best of luck in their new sphere of activities.

INDIAN CRICKET "FIND"

Claims Of Fast Bowler

London.
Yet another candidate for All-India cricket honours is about to leave for India—Devraj Puri, the Punjab fast bowler, who has spent the past three years in England. He is a son of Mr. B. R. Puri, a widely known Lahore barrister.

Puri came into prominence in India as fast bowler when he was at Government College, Lahore, and captained the Punjab University XI in the winter of 1935-36. Even prior to that date, however, he had played against the M.C.C. during their 1934-35 tour of India. When the late Maharaja of Patiala brought an Australian XI to India in 1935-36, Puri appeared against Ryder and his men with moderate success in two matches, including one of the unofficial Tests.

Arriving in England in the following summer, Puri quickly jumped into prominence in London club cricket circles as a member of the strongest side ever fielded by the Indian Gymkhana. His possibilities were clearly foreseen, and he had the good sense to correct a faulty and precariously long run to the wicket. Cutting it down to 12 or 14 paces, and curbing himself of a midway interruption which used to detract from his speed, Puri succeeded in maintaining his great pace (which definitely admitted him into the category of "fast bowler") and in increasing his accuracy.

cent to pay for their hay and corn. True Blue, Helium and Schmelterling were sired by Polycaeste and the last named pony managed to collect only \$100. It is, however, hoped that the 1940 new lot of maiden mares and geldings by the above sires will turn out to be good 'uns.

Caravis, who is a sire unknown to us, is well represented by ponies Nos. 1, 35, 37, 38 and 42 and they are the best. The young No. 23 by Midnight Frolic is a good trotter and when she puts on a few pounds more of flesh and fat, the mare will be another animal. Personally I like Nos. 30 and 50, both sired by Lorain and the two brown mares have the making of first class trotters. All the ponies are at present lacking in substance and strength and in the circumstance it is pretty hard to say who has the best flower of the flock.

It is interesting to relate that there is not a single progeny in 1940's bunch by Tom McNirly, who sired Lucky Lad, Chiltern and Candlelight.

VISIT OF INDO-CHINA SOCCER XI POSTPONED

(By "Abe")

Hongkong football enthusiasts may not be able to have the pleasure of seeing the combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team in action after all. The team, which was due to arrive in the Colony yesterday, did not do so.

Only the manager of the team, Mr. Sammy Tsang, arrived by the s.s. Canton and he explained to officials of the Eastern Athletic Association, sponsors of the visit, that the present international situation had caused some doubts in Indo-China as to the advisability of sending a team to the Colony at the moment.

He has been sent here by the Indo-China soccer authorities to discuss matters with the Eastern officials. Up to now it is not yet decided whether to call off the whole visit or merely postpone it. An official of the Eastern Athletic Association told me this morning that a cable had already been sent to Indo-China, and pending a reply he could not say definitely one way or the other.

MAY COME NEXT WEEK
But the Eastern A. A. are trying to persuade Indo-China to send a team here next week.

Mr. Sammy Tsang is the former Eastern post-keeper; he is now working in Indo-China. He played in several representative matches while in Hongkong a couple of seasons ago and is partly responsible for arranging the tour.

Three matches had been arranged for the visiting team in the Colony, first against Eastern, second against the Chinese Federation and the third against the Rest of the Colony.

Bowls Teams For Saturday

The following will represent the Civil Services C.C. in the Lawn Bowls League (First Division) against the Kowloon C.C. at Happy Valley tomorrow:

E. W. Simmonds, J. Deakin, A. W. Grimmit and F. Jones (skip); S. Eccleshall, W. J. Burling, L. A. Collyer and H. Strange (skip); R. R. Davis, R. H. Wood, M. N. Rakusen and J. Holding (skip).

H. COTTON ON GOLF RULES

Henry Cotton, winner of the Open Golf Championship in 1934 and 1937, writes in *News of the World*, "Rules of golf receive strange interpretations sometimes. I read that Miss Pam Burton led up in front of the discs when qualifying for the American women's championship. She was penalized one stroke. I thought the penalty was disqualification. She is not alone in this offence, however."

"Several times in big events this year I thought that my partners drove off in front of the discs and might have exposed them. But as it means such a little advantage and is a difficult thing to prove unless the tee peg remains in the ground, it is best not to see these things. Besides, the risk of beginning an argument would probably be almost more upsetting to oneself than to the culprit. I know that it is against the rules of the game, but although I might win an event by proving that a fellow competitor had teed up about three inches outside the line between the discs, I should hesitate to claim. I should prefer somebody else to do this type of 'dirty work'."

Actually many players are just

Sanchez, Ampon Will Play U.S. Davis Cup Stars

NEW YORK, Aug. 31 (UP).—The Philippines Davis Cup players will have to meet the United States cup stars as their first opponents in the national singles tennis championships opening at Forest Hills, Long Island, Sept. 7.
Bobby Riggs, mainstay of the American Davis Cup squad, will meet Felicissimo Ampon of the Philippines in the second round. Both drew first-round byes.
Frankie Parker will meet Amado Sanchez in the first round.

A Successful Year For Association

A generally satisfactory year and an improved financial position were reported when the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association was held in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday.

Mr. A. A. Dand was re-elected President. In his absence last night Mr. C. E. R. Divett presided. The Annual Report recorded that, because of the nature of the duties of the naval representative, the Council had decided to allow the attendance of substitutes for naval representatives only. Lt. Gunner had been appointed to the place of Lt. Cavers, who had resigned; his position as naval representative because of his departure from the Colony. Lt. Douglas, Army Vice-President, had also resigned; Lt. W. Hook had filled the vacancy.

The Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson, had left the Colony for good, and Mr. D. T. Smith had been elected in his place. A letter of thanks for his good work had been sent Mr. Henderson.

The Report, which was unanimously adopted, closed with thanks to people, organizations, and clubs for help they had given in placing equipment, grounds, and furniture at the disposal of the Association.

The financial statement disclosed an excess of income over expenditure of \$31.87, which was appropriated as follows—Reserve against bad and doubtful debts account, \$5; Interfund fund account, \$23.21; carried forward, \$36.00.

Election of Officers
The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted:

President, Mr. A. A. Dand; Vice-President, Lt. G. W. Hook, R.A.; Rev. J. R. Higgs, and Commander Milner-Barry, R.N.; Honorary Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Xavier; Civilian Council representatives, Messrs. G. E. R. Divett, A. E. F. Guest, J. Goncalves, and Mr. L. Tyler.

The Army and Navy players have to elect their own representatives.

careless about the rule but one day somebody will be disqualified and then more attention will be paid to the law.—Our Own Correspondent.

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STREET OBSTRUCTION

European Motorists Fined For Bad Parking

A fine of \$5 was imposed on G. Merriman, of the Import and Export Department, by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy yesterday for causing an obstruction with his car in Queen's Road Central on August 25. Merriman said his car broke down, and, though he telephoned a repair station, nobody arrived until late.

Summoned for a similar offence, L. Well, of Pokfulam, was fined \$5. Well left his car parked almost in the centre of Pottinger Street, leaving only enough room for a small car to pass.

B. Shick, of the Hongkong Hotel, was fined \$5 for leaving his car in the Pedder Street park for over two hours on August 24. Mrs. Johnstone, of May Road, was fined \$5 for allowing her car to remain stationary outside the Hongkong Hotel for longer than necessary on August 25.

INDIAN GUARD DISCHARGED

Kartar Singh, 20, special guard, was discharged by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of malicious damage to a car in Wanchai Road on September 5.

The driver, Ng Kwan, said he saw Kartar poke the hood with his stick and kick the mudguard, while the car was parked outside the Nanyang Tobacco Factory. He said he saw Singh kick the car.

BROADCASTING HOURS

Monthly Transmissions By ZBW and ZEK

The August report of ZBW and ZEK shows that actual hours of transmission were 451, of which 231 were devoted to European programmes and 220 to Chinese programmes, as follows:

ZBW (European)
Morning transmission, including church relays, 77 1/2; evening transmission, 153 1/2.

Apart from recorded programmes, the following items were broadcast: Studio concerts, 11; studio talks, 2; tongue twister bee, 1; relays (including church services), 15; Daventry relays (including news and cricket relays), 123; Sunday evening epilogues, 4; children's concert, 5.

ZEK (Chinese)
Morning transmission, including church relays, 65; evening transmission, 155.

Apart from record programmes the following items were broadcast: studio concerts, 32; theatre relays, 3; studio talks (including Mandarin lessons), 20; and children's concerts, 9.

New licences issued were 290 and renewals 385, making a total of 9,735 licences issued during 1939.

SNATCHER'S VIOLENCE

European Woman Attacked In Kowloon Tong

While on her way to visit her daughter in Waterloo Road on August 21, Mrs. Emily Wood, of Em-bankment Road, was attacked by a man, who slapped her face and snatched her handbag. As a result, Chan Hoi, 28, was committed for trial by Mr. Himsforth at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of robbery with violence. Det.-Sgt. Downman said Mrs. Wood and her daughter, Leila, were in Waterloo Road, near Rutland Quadrant, when Chan attacked Mrs. Wood. He slapped her face and snatched her handbag, containing \$78.00, a gold watch valued at \$200, and a fountain pen. Chan was arrested by Lau Hing-yu, cook.

On her way to the police station, Mrs. Wood noticed pepper on her face. When Chan was searched, a packet of pepper was found.

Miss Leila Wood said she was about two yards behind her mother. She identified Chan as the attacker.

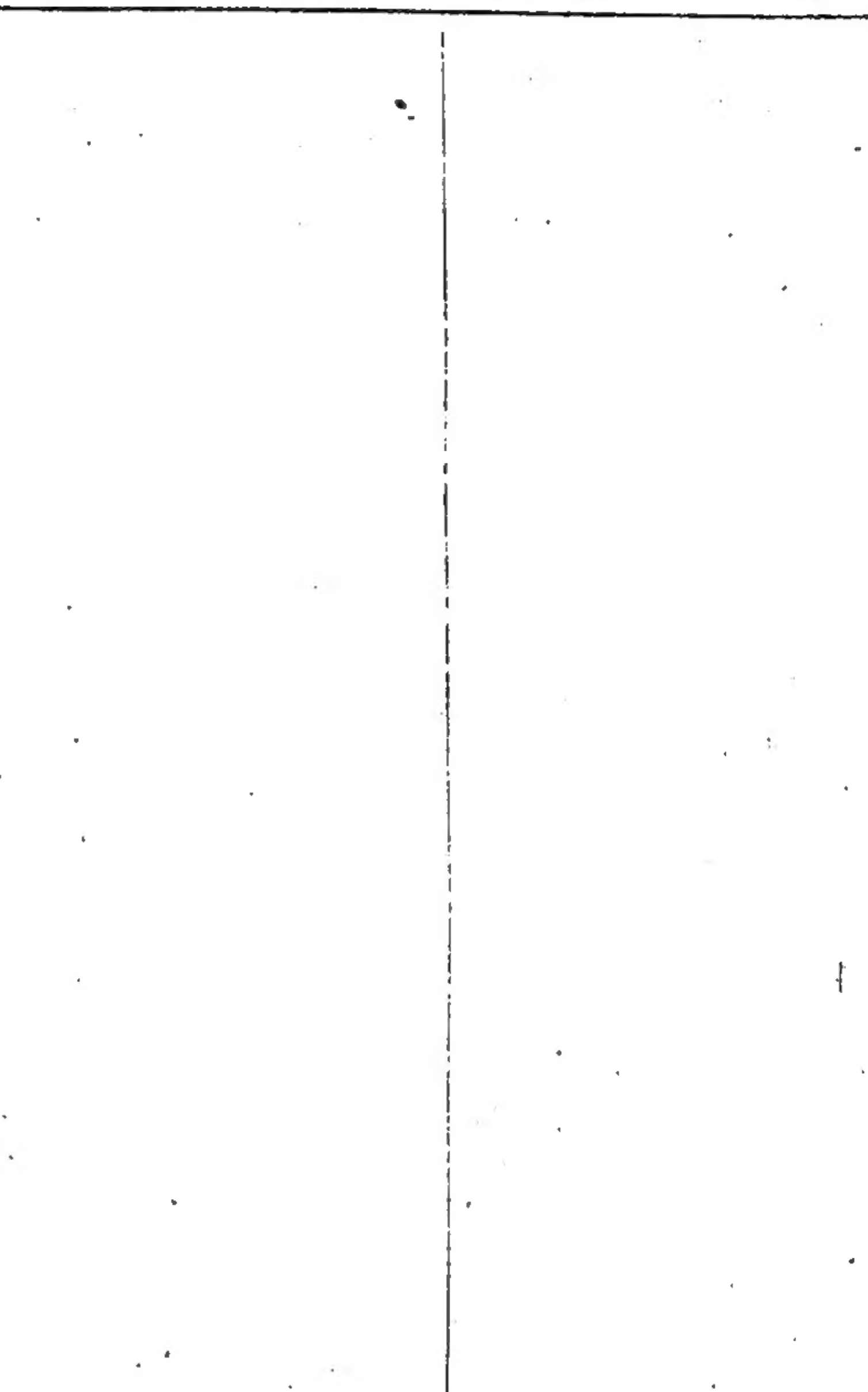
PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

The Hongkong Philharmonic Society held a social gathering yesterday evening at St. John's Hall, Garden Road, in order to meet the hon. Musical Director, Mr. W. Robertson, and Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs. The opportunity was also taken to discuss the forthcoming production of "No, No, Nanette."



Daniel Nee, 30, victim of one of the battles in strike-torn Harlan, Ky., coal fields, kisses wife in hospital. He died later of bullet wound in abdomen, second fatality of the recent series of riots.

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Germany Responds To French Saarland Threat HEAVY REINFORCEMENTS SENT TO WESTERN FRONT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—Heavy German reinforcements are now apparently being rushed up to the threatened Saar region.

Communique No. 8, issued at 9.12 p.m. (4.12 a.m. H.K.T.) states that the German lines have been reinforced on the front between the Rhine and the Moselle Rivers.

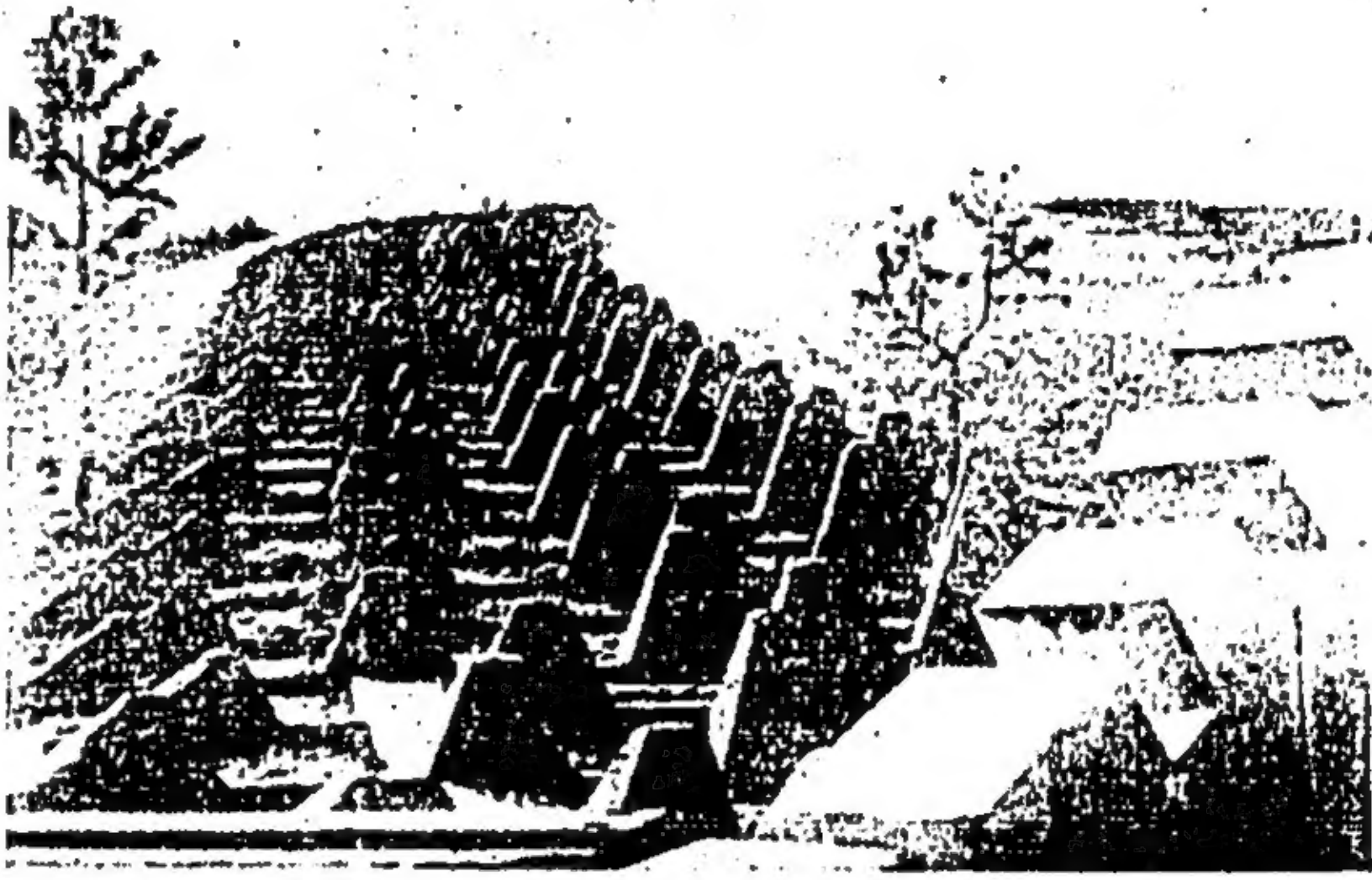
BROUGHT UP FROM INTERIOR

The communique adds: "The arrival of new forces from the interior of Germany has been signalled to our forces."

Heavy reinforcements have been seen arriving along the entire line of the Moselle front.

The Moselle, which runs through Alsace-Lorraine, the two French provinces wrested from Germany in 1918, enters Germany at Luxembourg's southernmost frontier.

According to yesterday's reports, fighting is heaviest in the Saar region, with Saarbrücken, the capital, apparently the French objective.



Some of the teeth of Germany's Siegfried Line in Saarland. Anti-tank gun firing at a tank. German frontier from Switzerland to Aachen, and which French artillery is now pounding vigorously.

HUNTING THE U-BOATS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—A British communique states that there are no major naval operations to report. Attacks on German submarines continue. At least in one case success appears probable.

German submarine attacks on shipping are taking place in various localities. The losses reported are the steamers Bosnia and Royal Sceptre. The Corinthian was attacked but escaped undamaged and has reached port. It is reported that 26 German merchantmen, totalling 119,000 tons, have taken refuge in Vigo.

Cracow Captured

Berlin, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—General von Brauchitsch, the German Commander-in-Chief, has proclaimed the capture of Cracow. The proclamation states that Bromberg and Gdansk have been taken and the Corridor no longer separates East Prussia and Danzig from Germany.

Polish Troops Bombed

WARSAW, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Polish general staff, in a communique, says that German aeroplanes are bombing Polish troops. There were several raids on Warsaw. Fifteen German planes were brought down yesterday and 20 today. The Poles lost six planes. Fighting is proceeding at Lodz, Piotrkow, Tomaszow to the west of Tarnow, and in the north of Torun, Sierp and Clonsk, where the enemy have been held.

More Men Called Up

PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—At noon today, the Agency Radio at Zurich reported a dispatch from the "Bauer Nachrichten" at Riga, saying that the Poles have mobilized six additional classes of officers and non-commissioned officers, regardless of age. The Poles have announced the formation of two Czechoslovak Legions.

The newspaper also reports that women and children hurried hand grenades at the German forces at Ravitch in southern Poznan. The press published a dispatch appearing in the Zurich "Neuezeitliche Zeitung" reporting from Berlin: "Western German frontier cities have been or are being evacuated."

Hitler Bans Reports

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—From Brussels comes the news that the German papers are not printing anything about the fighting on the Western Front.

They carry jubilant reports, however, of the progress made in Poland.

French Enthusiasm

PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—Paris and Lille experienced another 30 minutes air raid alarm this morning. No bombs were dropped. The news of the British and French military activities and the arrival of the British Expeditionary Forces, together with the French penetration into the Saar basin, has brought great public enthusiasm in the French capital.

The value of the political situation is being discussed in the press. It is reported that the Poles have been held.

CANADA AT WAR

Empire Rallies To The Motherland

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Sept. 7 (UP).—The Governor-General, Baron Tweedsmuir, told Parliament today that a state of war exists.

His speech did not contain any formal declaration.

Canadian Decision

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Governor-General of Canada, Lord Tweedsmuir, in a speech from the Throne when Parliament met yesterday, said that his Ministers were convinced that Canada and its people would unite in a national effort to defend to their utmost the liberties which were threatened.

Britain was honouring her pledges and was now at war with Germany. Parliament would have to consider measures for the defence of Canada and methods of co-operating in the effort against aggression and force.

The militia, naval and air forces were already on active service and other steps had been taken to defend Canada's coasts and her internal security.

Parliament would have to consider proposals put before it without delay in action, including an estimate covering the expenses arising out of, or which might arise out of, war.

In this grave hour—there have been few, if any, more critical in the history of the world—the people of Canada are facing the crisis with the same fortitude as that of the people of the United Kingdom and the rest of the Commonwealth.

Egypt Severs Relations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—The Ministry of Information has announced that the British Government has been officially informed that the Egyptian Government has decided to sever diplomatic relations with Germany.

Iraq Joins In

BAGHDAD, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Iraq has decided to sever relations with Germany.

It is learned in London that Iraq has informed the German Minister that he must leave the country within 24 hours, and the Iraqi representative in Berlin has been instructed to ask for his passport.

A number of Germans in Iraq, connected with the military or otherwise, who are regarded as dangerous, have been interned.

Princes Pledge Services

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—To date 83 Indian princes have sent messages of loyalty to the King-Emperor.

Offer To Canada

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Mackenzie Battalion, which fought for the Spanish Government in Spain, has offered its services as a fighting unit.

NEWS FLASHES

Yugo-Slavia Mobilising

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The War Office reports that Yugo-Slavia has decided on general mobilisation.

The War Minister has been empowered to put the decision into effect by stages.

The Yugo-Slav army is increasing daily, and is approaching half a million in strength.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Parliament today adjourned until September 13.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7 (UP).—The liner Manhattan arrived here today, carrying a record number of passengers totalling 1,573.

BERLIN, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—All British subjects over 15 years of age must report to the nearest police station within 24 hours, according to a decree issued by the Minister of the Interior, Herr Frick.

The order applies to nationals of Britain, Northern Ireland, the British colonies, protectorates and mandated territories, and India.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Canadian Government has instructed the Canadian High Commissioner in London to provide financial assistance to the Canadian survivors of the Athenia tragedy.

Mr. John Kennedy, second son of the American Ambassador, has arrived at Glasgow to take care of the American survivors.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—After conferring with Turkish leaders for a fortnight, the Turkish Ambassador to London has left Istanbul for England.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Discussions between the Secretary for the Dominions, the Secretary for the Colonies and the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia on the Rhodesia-Nyasaland Commission have been suspended owing to the war. They will be resumed when circumstances permit.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—A Danish fishing boat was blown up in a minefield near Esbjerg, says a message from Copenhagen.

All four members of the crew perished.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—United States liners arriving in Britain yesterday carried large American flags painted on the decks and on both sides of the ships.

"At night they fly floodlight flags and travel with all lights blazing."

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—For the time being prices in Australia. PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

Danzig "Alcazar" Stormed

Gallant Defenders Finally Surrender

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RIGA, Sept. 7 (UP).—Word from Berlin says that Poland has lost her "Battle of the Alcazar."

Mr. George Kidd, Staff Correspondent of the "United Press", says: "For four days in Danzig I watched the battle—the attempt of a handful of Poles at Westerplatte, a fortress on a spit of land near Danzig, to repel German air, sea and land attacks."

"Almost every war produces some isolated act of heroism such as this. They said, at Westerplatte, that some cavalry and medieval warfare had returned in the midst of modern mechanised warfare."

German Tribute

"The German attackers gave tribute to the defenders for their valour when they surrendered. The outbreak of the war found between 70 and 200 men at Westerplatte, dug in strongly behind modern fortifications."

"Machine guns had been shrewdly placed. The defenders were well equipped with food and ammunition. It was there that the first shot of the war was fired, when the Schleswig-Holstein steamed into position on Friday and used her heaviest gun batteries, which battered the Poles with big shells throughout the day."

"However, Polish machine-gun fire completely shattered two German attempts to storm the stronghold."

50 Bombs Dropped

"On Saturday, 22 bombers dropped at least 50 bombs on the fortress but the infantry were unable to storm it until today."

"Berlin advisers said the Germans occupied the fortress when the surviving Poles surrendered."

GREETINGS BY LABOUR

British Party's Message To Co-Democracies

LONDON, Sept. 7 (British Wireless).—Mr. Arthur Greenwood's message to Poland said: "British Labour forms part of a united and resolute British Commonwealth of free nations, who with France have entered the struggle to overthrow the evil tyranny of Hitler, and to put a final end to lawless aggression, methods of violence, and use of war."

To French socialists, stressing that life without liberty and peace without justice is a mockery Mr. Greenwood said: "Our people have a passionate hatred of war. But they also hate aggression, tyranny, and oppression which things the Nazi Government represents. The British peoples had no lust for domination, ambition of conquest, or any hatred of the German people, but are animated only by a resolute determination to overthrow the rule of force."

This Is The Cause

"This is the cause for which we will fight till victory is won."

Sending Labour's fraternal greetings to Canada, Australia and Zealand, Mr. Greenwood said: "We, like you, promptly take a stand as part of the united British Commonwealth in the grim struggle against the latest act of Nazi aggression. The common people of many lands have been hurried into a cruel conflict by Hitler in furtherance of his ambitious aims at domination and conquest."

He added that the common aims were the final end to violence in achieving national purposes, restoration of the rule of law, and liberty of the people.

France & Italy Confer

Concessions To Rome Forecast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domei).—Negotiations for the maintenance of Italy's neutrality in the European war between M. Pierre Laval, former French Premier, and Signor Mussolini are making satisfactory progress in Rome, according to information reaching here.

The report claims that at the Rome conversations, M. Laval is making the following proposals as conditions for Italy's neutrality.

Firstly, the Italian nationals in Tunis be accorded full protection and satisfactory treatment.

Secondly, maximum reductions, approximately amounting to 40 per cent, be made in the Suez Canal tolls for Italian vessels.

Thirdly, Djibouti, in French Somaliland be opened to Italy as an open port.

Fourthly, the French Government use its good offices for extending credits amounting to 20,000,000,000 francs to Italy by Britain.

Italy's Neutrality

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domei).—Italy has definitely decided to remain neutral in the European war, according to the Rome correspondent of the "Asahi Shimbun".

The correspondent understands that this decision has been made in accordance with the secret provisions attached to the Italo-German Alliance.

Included in the secret provisions are:

Firstly, the Danzig issue should not be the cause of a war.

Secondly, in case general conditions made war necessary, it should be carried out in 1941.

At the time of the conclusion of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact, the Italian Government kept in touch with the negotiations, the correspondent claims. The Italian Government has decided to dissociate itself from the negotiations for conclusion of a German-Soviet military alliance which are at present in progress at Berlin.

Concluding, the correspondent says that it was still doubtful whether the Italian policy would be continued hereafter.

LATEST

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4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	26 1/2
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.08 1/2

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$	1200 b.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	—
Chartered E. & S.	—
Mercantile, A. & B.	—
Mercantile, C. & L.	—
East Asia	72 n.

INSURANCES

Cantons \$	200 n.
Union	330 b.
China Underwriters	1 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire	160 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$	67 n.
Steamboats \$	12 n.
Indo-China, P.S.	60 n.
Indo-China, D.S.	30 n.
Shells (Bearers) s/-	88 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$	8.10 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$	100 n.
Docks \$	14.65 b.
Provident	4 s.
New Eng. Sh. \$	7 1/4 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh. \$	110 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	8 1/2 b.
Raubas \$	2 n.
Venz. Gold \$	2 n.
H.K. Mines	—

LANDS

Hotels \$	3.85 b.
Lands \$	30 b. and sa.
Land 4 1/2 de. \$	7.90 n.
Shui Lands Sh. \$	8 n.
H.K. Realities \$	33 1/2 b.
Chinese Estates \$	98 n.

UTILITIES

Trams \$	14 1/2 s.
Peak Trams (old) \$	7.40 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$	58 n.
Star Ferries \$	22 n.
Y. Ferries \$	22 n.
China Lights (old) \$	7.30 n.
China Lights (new) \$	3 1/2 b. and sa.
H.K. Electric \$	50 s.
Macao Electric \$	11 n.
Sandakan Light \$	20 n.
Telephones (old) \$	7.60 n.
Telephones (new) \$	10 n.
Traction s/-	22 n.
Traction (Pref.) s/-	22 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (ord.) \$	14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pre.) \$	13 n.
Canton Ices \$	12 1/2 s.
Cement \$	3.70 n.
H.K. Ropes \$	3.70 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) \$	20 n.
Dairy Farms (new) \$	7 1/2 b.
Watsons \$	7.50 n.
Lane, Crawford \$	1.80 n.
Sincere \$	41 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	1 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$	17.00 n.
Shui Cotton Sh. \$	120 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$	42 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$	48 1/2 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$	6.90 n.
Constructions (old) \$	1.85 n.
Constructions (new) \$	1 n.
Vibro Filling \$	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	—
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	98 n.
Maramba (Lon.) s/-	4 n.
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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of September, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Hennessey Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Area in sq. feet	Rental	Upset Price
1	5581	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 4068, Hennessey Road.	N. N. E. W.	1,560	1,560	\$44	\$25,500
As per sale plan.							

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3	5582	Junction of King's Road & Wing King Street.	N. S. E. W.	1,170	1,170	\$114	\$16,510
As per sale plan.							

Vacation Goes Up in Flames

Greenwich, Conn.

Mrs. Hazelene Orr saved \$100 for a vacation trip and put it in a paper bag for safe-keeping. When it disappeared she called police. An investigation was in full swing when Mrs. Orr suddenly remembered with grief she had absent-mindedly tossed the bag into an incinerator with other rubbish and burned her savings.

PREMIER'S PRAISE FOR THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

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householders who so generously are providing homes for the mothers and children.
Over 200,000 hospital beds are to-day ready for air raid casualties. Over 11,000 auxiliary nurses have joined the civil nursing reserve for service in the hospitals and first aid posts, but more of both trained nurses and auxiliaries are needed, especially in any part of the country.
The auxiliary fire service was mobilised quickly and on the whole smoothly, and in the main the available fire-fighting units are being kept permanently manned and ready for action. In London, for instance, there are over 1,900 fire pumps ready for action against about 125 in peace time.

Gaining Momentum

Concluding, Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped his statement would show the country that Britain's war effort was rapidly gaining momentum.
"It has behind it the full weight of all the people of this country who are united in their conviction that no nation ever went to war in a higher cause."

"We are greatly heartened by the knowledge that in the struggle for the defence of liberty and free institutions, and for the preservation of all that makes life worth living, we can count on the support of the overseas members of the British Commonwealth."
"On their own free will and under no form of compulsion save the moral and compelling force of the right of nations, they have declared their intention of co-operating in a cause which is no less precious to them than it is to the people of England."

Mr. Arthur Greenwood thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his statement and asked the Premier to keep the country informed promptly whether the news was good or bad.
If the magnificent statement about the Kiel action had been published on the day it had occurred it would have heartened the people.

Mr. Chamberlain said he did not want to circulate any information until all the facts had been ascertained, but with experience hoped they would do better in the future.

Doubts Dispelled

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech has served to dispel any belief that Britain and France might be inclined to temporise with Hitler and discuss a general settlement after Germany has accomplished a lightning conquest of Poland.

Firstly, it is understood that the Polish Ambassador to London has reported to his Government that the British War Cabinet is unflinchingly determined to smash Hitlerism.
Secondly, the inclusion of Winston

CANADA AT WAR

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unit of 1,000 men to the Canadian Government.

Too Many Recruits!

SIMLA, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—As so many offers for service have been received, the Government has found it necessary to request the public to continue in their ordinary occupations to avoid dislocation of industry.

Indian Officers Called Up

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Officers of the Indian regular reserve have been called up.
An ordinance issued yesterday covers the subject of the Indian air force volunteer reserve.

Unstinted Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—His Highness the Aga Khan, spiritual ruler of ten million Ismailian Mohammedans has called on his followers to give "unstinted service" to the British cause.

Offers By Princes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Maharajah of Travancore has offered to place six lakhs of rupees (£45,000) at the disposal of the British Government towards the cost of prosecuting the war. He has also offered the services of the Travancore army, subject to the requirements of internal defence, and has suggested that he raise a labour corps.
The Maharajah of Bikaner has placed at the disposal of the King-Emperor the sum of half a lakh (£3,750) "for war purposes," while the Maharani proposes to donate £1,000 for the same purpose.

DAVENTRY NEWS BROADCASTS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—At the beginning of Daventry's first news broadcast in Polish, the Polish Ambassador to London conveyed to the people of Poland a message from Mr. Chamberlain.

The message said that Great Britain and France had entered the war determined to fight with all their power the forces of aggression against Poland.
The statement concluded: "They are strengthened in the knowledge that they are fighting for things which are greater than the interests of any one country—for the honour, justice and freedom of the world."

Churchill and Anthony Eden, sworn foes of Nazism, in the Cabinet. Thirdly, the "Times" statement that Hitlerism must be ended.

NEWS FLASHES

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have been fixed at those prevailing on August 31.
Refusal to sell at those prices renders the goods liable to seizure for sale by the Federal Government.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—M. Daladier and General Gamelin, head of the French forces, held a conference yesterday.
It is understood that in particular, they discussed the progress of the war on the Western Front.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7 (UP).—The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, has telephoned a vigorous personal demand to the Maritime Commission to speed up the removal of thousands of Americans who are stranded in Great Britain.
Five ships are being prepared. Only two American passengers sailed from New York on the President Harding.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (British Wire).—Sir Frederic Lethbridge, chief economic adviser to His Majesty's Government, has been appointed Director-General of the Ministry of Economic Warfare.

Sir George Mounsey, assistant Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office has been appointed Secretary to the Ministry.
LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Sir Neville Henderson and the former Berlin Embassy staff arrived at Gravesend to-day.

BURBANK, Calif., Sept. 7 (UP).—The Japanese goodwill plane Nippon hopped off from the Union Air Terminal at 9 a.m. P.S.T. for Albuquerque, N.M., on her next leg of her globe girdling tour.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—In the House of Commons, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told a questioner that the Government has no confirmation of the reports that the Germans dropped balloons filled with Yperite, or yellow cross gas, on Poland.

MEXICO WARNS NAZI SHIPS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Mexico has warned the nine German steamers which have taken refuge in her ports that use of their wireless transmitting sets would be a violation of Mexican neutrality.

The Government has sealed up all the wireless operators' cabins, and has warned the crews that severe penalties will be inflicted on anyone breaking the order.

Impatience Of Public Lack Of News From Western Front

LONDON, Sept. 7 (British Wire).—The impatience of the public for news of developments on the war fronts is the subject of comment in several newspapers.

The "Times" points out that the tactical conditions are wholly different from those prevailing in 1914, when troops manoeuvring in open country clashed and fought in first few hours.

"To-day great armies are moving into previously prepared lines extending to a considerable depth, and such a process involves no clashes, even between small forces. Naval operations are also proceeding with intensity, but with proper secrecy. The sweeping of German shipping from the sea has begun. Submarines are being attacked, though it would clearly be undesirable to say when, where, or with what results, because such information might be useful to the submarines themselves."

"The convoy system for shipping has been put into operation. In naval matters also there is little analogy with 1914, when the German surface fleet was powerful, and clashes were to be expected from the moment of the outbreak of war. There need be no surprise at the slow pace at which the hostilities seem to be developing. The allied nations are in this war with a grim determination to end the Nazi Government which is utterly faithless and utterly unscrupulous. They will neglect no legitimate means, and spare no effort to achieve this end."

GUNBOATS ASKED TO DEPART

Japan's "Friendly Advice" To British Navy

HANKOW, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Japanese Consular authorities have forwarded a note to the British Consul-General, tendering "friendly advice."

In order to "prevent incidents," it is stated, the British gunboats Peterel and Scarab should leave port. The note specified that the Japanese military authorities would guarantee the safety of all Britons in Hankow.

The British Consul-General in reply said the question was being referred to the proper authorities.
Two Japanese warships, later steamed up and anchored close to the two British gunboats, and another Japanese warship lay off a French gunboat.

Duke Of Windsor Returning Home

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAP D'ANTIBES, Sept. 7 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are starting to-morrow by motor car on their return to England.

Starting Times At Fanling

The following are the starting times for Fanling on Sunday:

OLD COURSE	
0.10 G. M. Park, J. T. Smith.	—
0.20 H. L. Carson, B. S. Church.	—
0.24 I. H. Geare, R. H. Green.	—
0.28 N. & S. A. Macfarlane.	—
0.32 E. G. Price, I. P. Tamworth.	—
0.44 J. W. Mayhew, E. R. McKee.	—

News Is Stranger Than Fiction

JOHN MILLER lives at Teynham, Kent. Seven miles away at Bredgar lives his brother, Frederick. They meet but seldom.

Recently, John, who was married to see his doctor. He collapsed in the doctor's surgery.

That day, too, Frederick went to his work on a farm. He fell from a cherry tree and injured his spine. And later, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, twenty miles away, two men turned in their adjoining beds and recognised each other.

They were John and Frederick.

Y.M.C.A. FIXTURES

Sunday.—Discussion Group, 9 p.m. Prof. R. Robertson, "Nationalism and the International Ideal."
Monday.—Bandaging Class, 10.30 a.m. Flag whist drive, 8.30 p.m. service lounge, ground floor, 50 cts.
Tuesday.—Bridge, 10 a.m. Badminton, 8.30 p.m. Mixed swimming, 6 p.m.
Wednesday.—Flag whist and mah-jong, 10 a.m. Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs' second talk on Anatomy, 8 p.m. Service whist drive, 8.30 p.m.
Thursday.—Mah-jong class, 10 a.m. Committee meeting, 10.30 a.m.
Friday.—Keep Fit class 10 a.m. Badminton, 8.30 p.m. Mixed swimming, 6 p.m.

Olympic Committee

San Francisco, Sept. 7. The German Consul-General in San Francisco has resigned his membership of the Olympic Club. He received a telegram warning him that 155 members had threatened to resign unless he did so.—Reuter.

HEAVY REINFORCEMENTS SENT TO WESTERN FRONT

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discussed the possibility of reorganising the French Cabinet on a National Union basis.

The Propaganda Minister, M. Jean Giraudoux, to-day said: "Thanks to conscription, Britain will be able to give us millions of men little by little. Many British air squadrons are to-day in our provinces on duty with our own."

The official war communiqué to-day reported marked activity "on both sides of the front."

Warsaw Evacuation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—WARSAW, Sept. 7 (UP).—Every-one who is able to borrow or beg a conveyance is abandoning the Polish Capital as the rumble of distant German artillery fire becomes louder.

The imminence of an invasion is so real, that people are inclined to talk in whispers. The Government has moved to Lublin, 100 miles south-east. The Embassies are closed.

A large force of Germans are reported to be spreading a line 30 miles out of Warsaw.

The city seems destined to come under artillery fire shortly.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The few transactions reported indicate that amongst others H.K. Banks, Unions, Docks & Lands have more or less found their level, but an air of some uncertainty still exists with the remainder of the list.

Buyers

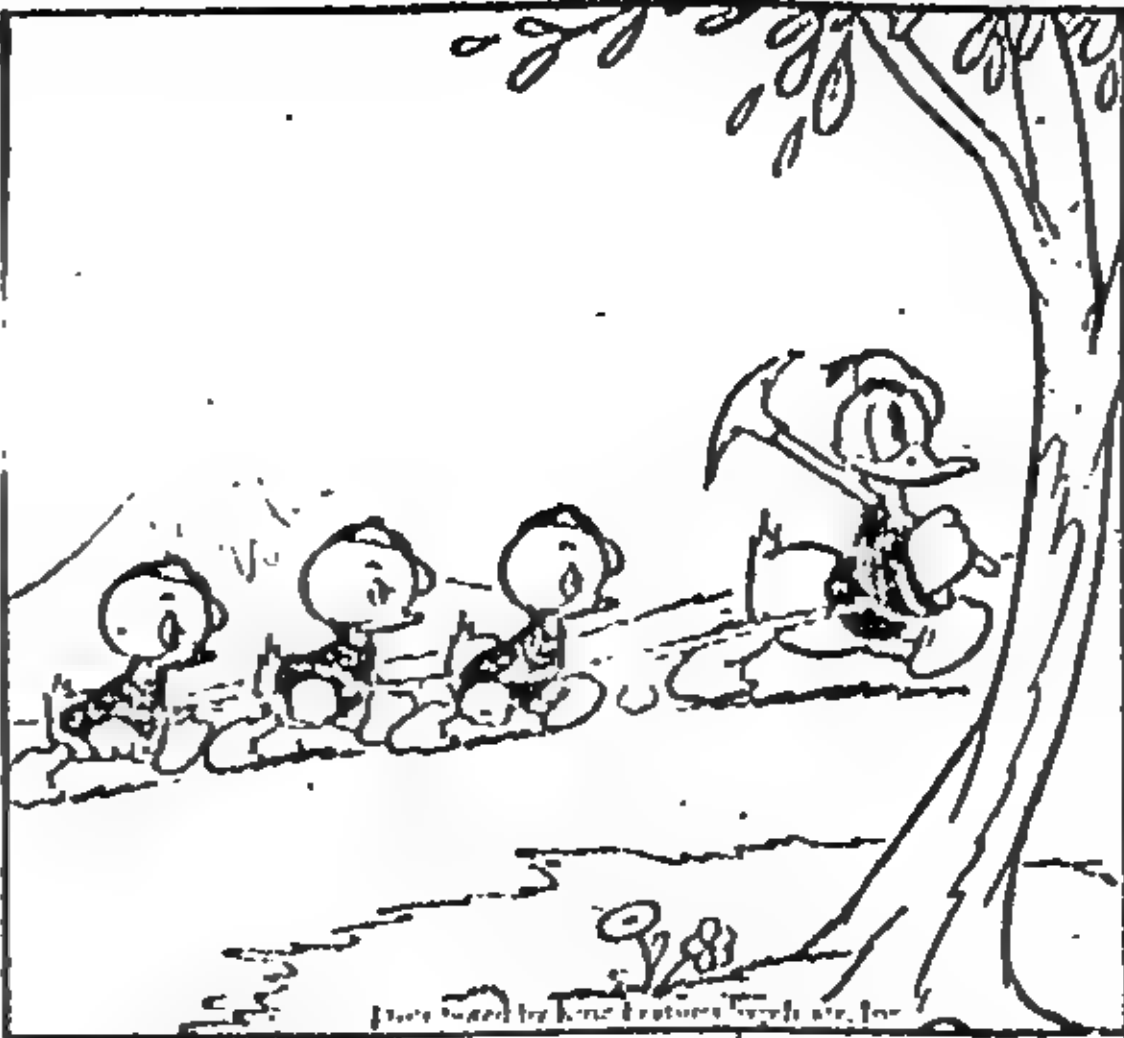
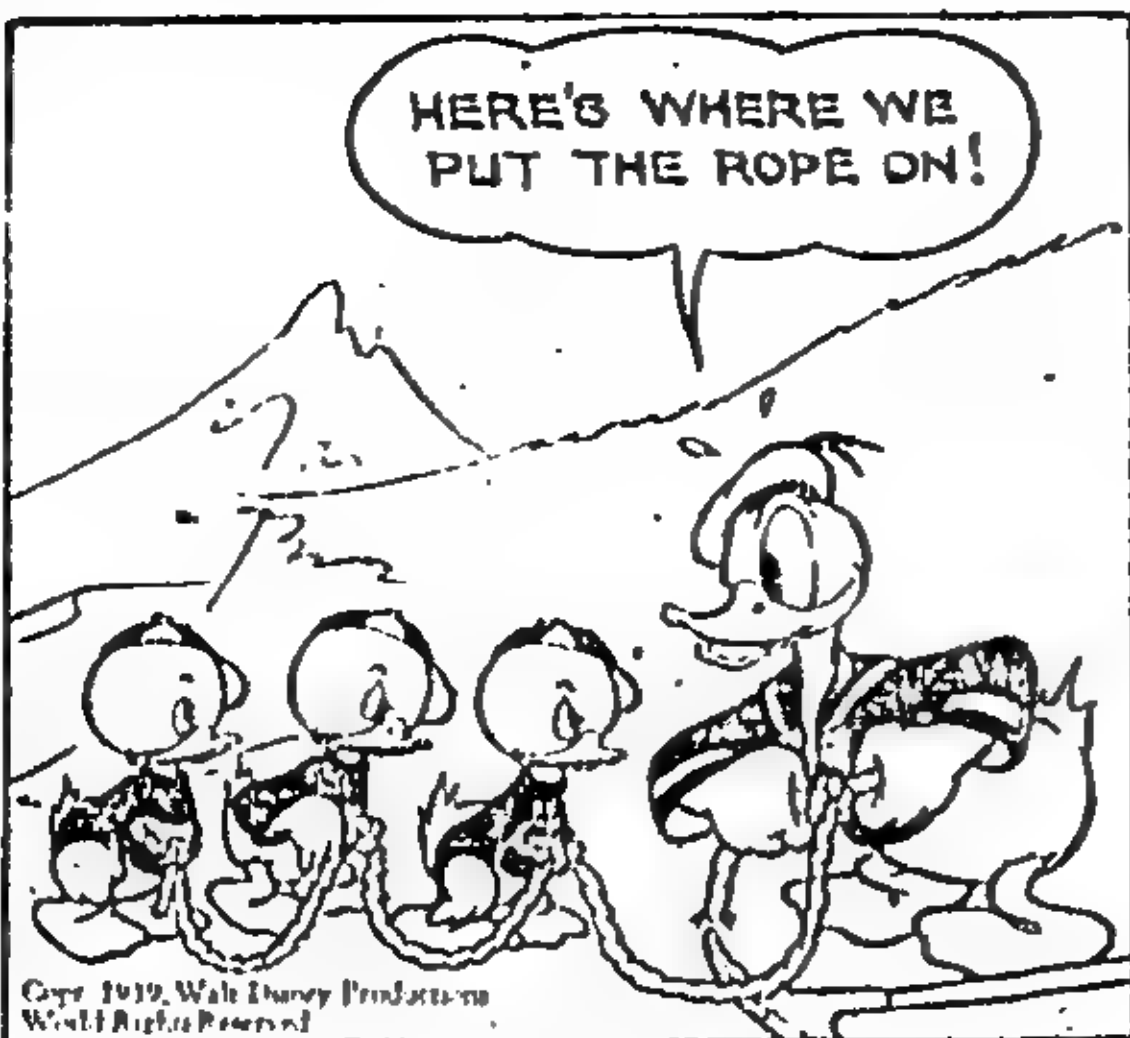
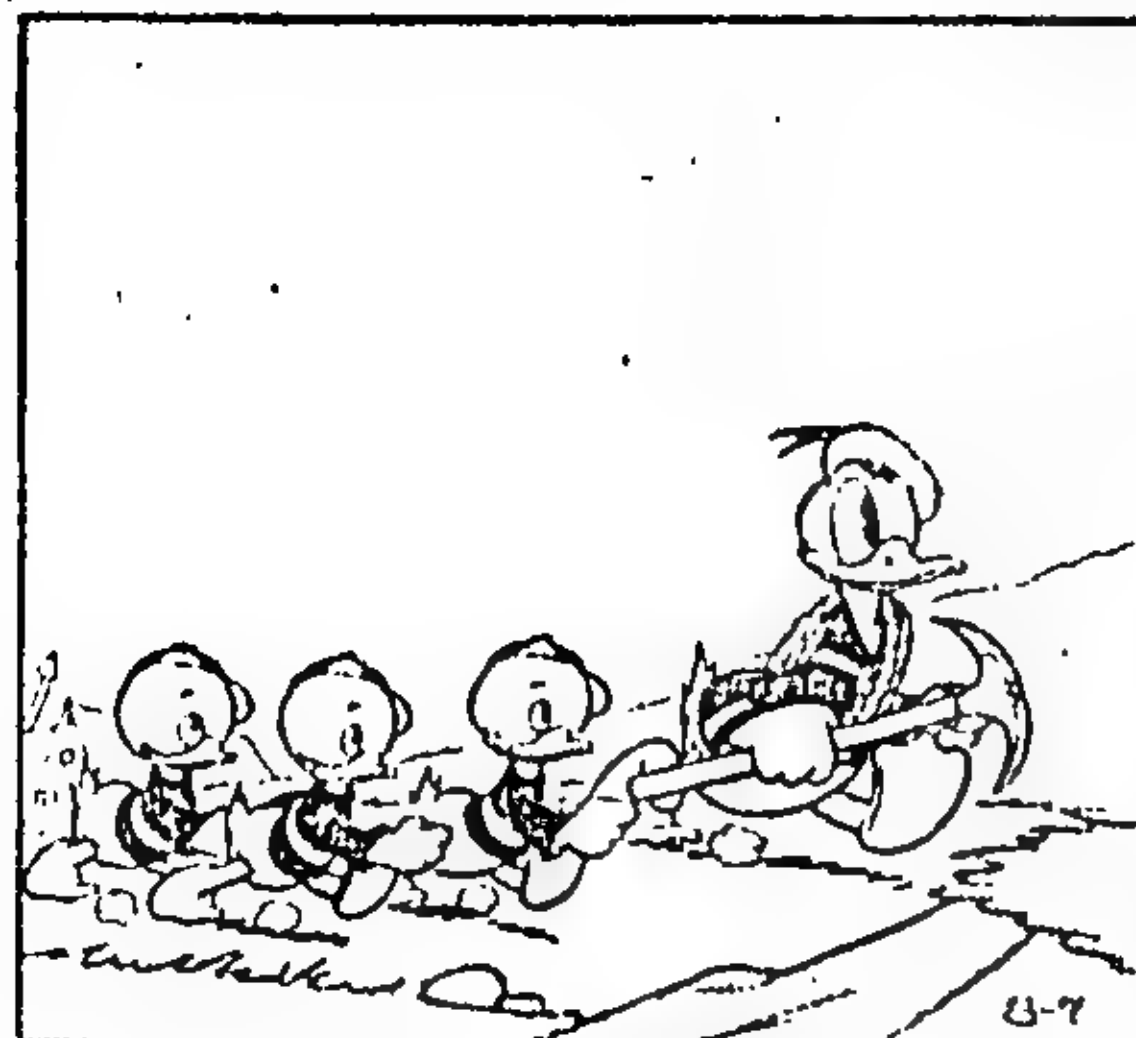
Hongkong Banks \$1,200	—
H.K. Docks \$14 1/2	—
Providents \$3.90	—
H.K. Hotels \$3.85	—
H.K. Lands \$30	—
H.K. Realities \$33 1/2	—
H.K. Trams \$14	—

Sales

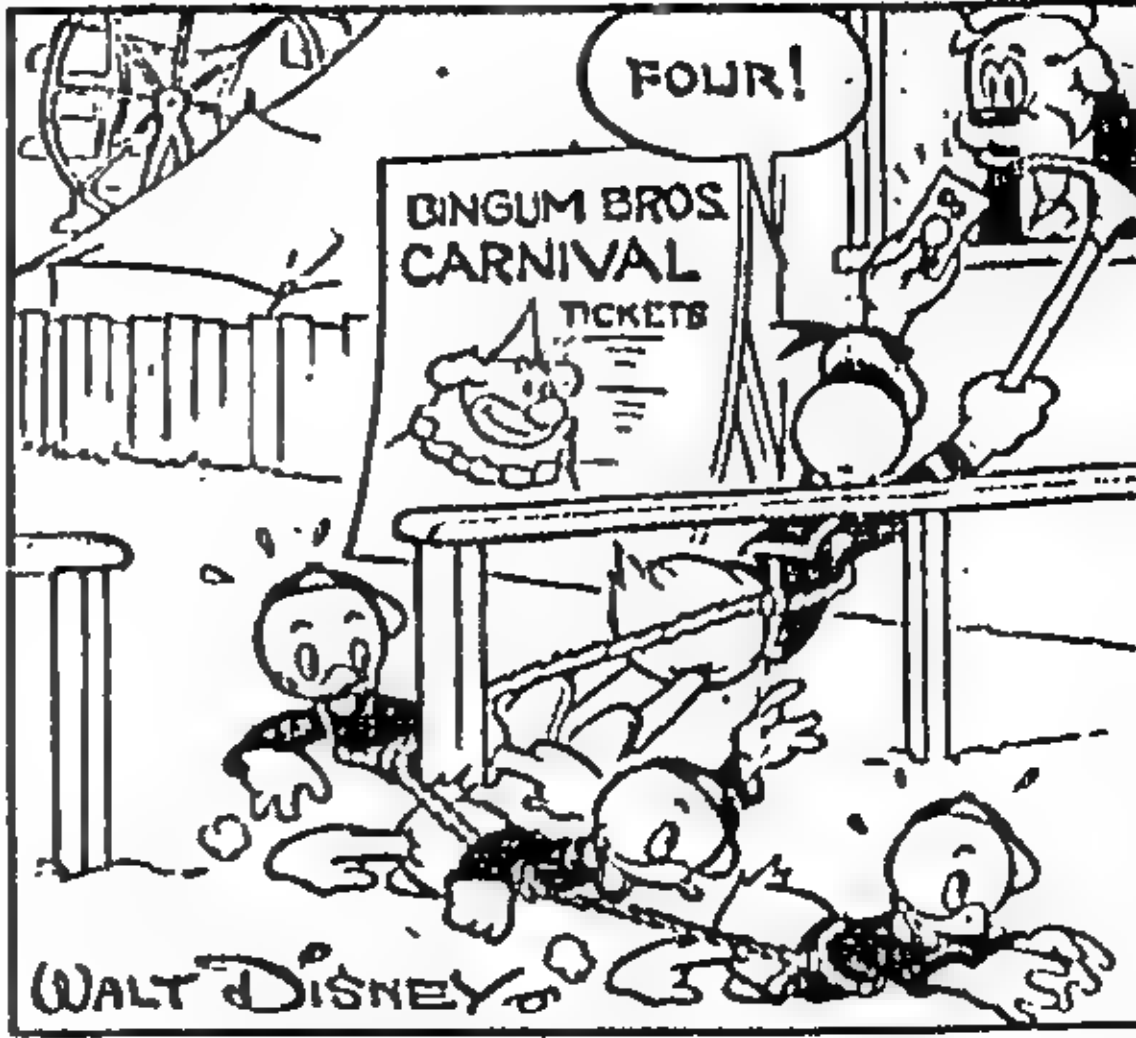
Hongkong Banks \$1,200/25	—
Union Insurance \$330	—
H.K. Lands \$14 1/2	—
Providents \$3	—
H.K. Lands \$30	—
Electric \$53	—

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LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—The British Government is resolutely determined to wage war until the Nazi regime, as constituted under its present leaders, is destroyed and will refuse to be caught by any manoeuvre by Hitler for a premature peace before that objective is achieved.

The British foresee, and are prepared for, a manoeuvre by Hitler after he smashes the Polish Army whereby the Fuehrer is expected to attempt to inveigle the British and French into a quick peace at Poland's expense.

Long And Bitter War

But the British are prepared mentally and morally, for a long and bitter war.

"Nearly everyone I talk with, both military and layman, feels that the war may last several years," writes Mr. Webb Miller, General European News Manager for "United Press." "Each day signs accumulate that Hitler's plan of campaign, which I outlined on August 23 before the war started, is so far being followed." "Firstly, Hitler has not declared war against Britain or France; secondly, he has made no offensive move against the British and French on the western front, thirdly, a Nazi Foreign Office spokesman told neutral correspondents: 'Germany is taking no action against the western front,' fourthly, Hitler, as far as is known, is concealing from the German people the French movements against the Siegfried Line; fifthly, the Italian inspired press is hinting that the British and French may 'listen to reason' after Poland has been smashed and suggests that Italy may then have an opportunity to mediate.

Morale Collapse

"The sole bare hope here of a comparatively brief war is that of a collapse in German morale," continues Mr. Webb Miller. "This is based on reports of internal dissensions and lack of enthusiasm for war, which the British are attempting to fan by leaflet raids in which about twenty million leaflets have so far been scattered in Germany."

STOCK EXCHANGE RESUMES

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuters).—The London Stock Exchange resumed official business to-day, with prices generally firm and trading freer than last week.

Industrials were occasionally stronger and gilt-edged holdings were around the fixed minima. West African gold shares met with a good demand.

The large demand for cotton was again unsatisfied on the Liverpool market as sellers withheld at today's pegged prices.

Wall Street was firm.

MAIL NOTICES

INWARD

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

FROM HONGKONG.—Hakozaki Maru, Sept. 8, 8 a.m.; Samsui, Sept. 8, 11 a.m.; Tysandere, Sept. 10, 10 a.m.; Tysandere, Sept. 10, 10 a.m.; Tysandere, Sept. 10, 10 a.m.

FROM JAPAN.—Nawshera, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Hakozaki Maru, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Hakozaki Maru, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

FROM CANTON.—Canton Maru, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Canton Maru, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

FROM SINGAPORE.—Ninghai, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Ninghai, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

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FROM STRAITS.—Yuenang, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Yuenang, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

FROM MANILA.—Pres. Pierce, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Pres. Pierce, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

FROM CANADA & U.S.A.—Empress of Asia, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.; Empress of Asia, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

FROM EUROPE VIA NEGAPATAM (Papers, etc.)—London date, 10th August.

FROM EUROPE VIA RUEZ (Papers, etc.)—London date, 10th August.

FROM U.S.A., HONOLULU & JAPAN (Papers, etc.)—London date, 10th August.

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AIR MAIL INWARD

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 6th September.—Pan American Airways Plane, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 6th September.—Air France Plane, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th September.—Imperial Airways plane, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

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OUTWARD MAILS

TO-DAY

Manila (Empress of Asia) 3.30 p.m.
Batavia, Saigon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, October 9, (Hakozaki Maru), G.P.O. & K.P.O., Reg. 3.45 p.m.; Ord. 4.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada Central and South America, via San Francisco.—due San Francisco, September 28, (Pres. Pierce) G.P.O. & K.P.O.—Papers, 4 p.m.; Reg. 5 p.m.; Ord. 5.30 p.m.

Shanghai and Japan (Hakusan Maru), 3.30 p.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Thursday Island September 22, (Tipping), G.P.O. & K.P.O.—Papers 5.00 p.m.; Reg. 5.00 p.m.; Papers 5.30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Parcels only for Halphong (Mingsang), 8.00 a.m.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London Sept. 18.—Imperial Airways plane, Sept. 18, 10 a.m.

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SITUATION IN CHINA

Butler Tells House Of Latest Developments

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuters).—Questioned regarding the four Chinese prisoners in Tientsin, Mr. R. A. Butler stated in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the decision of the High Court in London and the notification previously given to the Chinese and Japanese governments, the British Government had decided that the men could no longer be detained.

The Consul-General in Tientsin had been instructed accordingly to hand the men over to the local Chinese court.

Mr. G. Le M. Mander (Liberal) objected and said that the men should not be handed over while an appeal was pending.

Hongkong "Confessions"

With reference to the alleged confession of two Chinese in Hongkong, Mr. Butler said that every relevant fact had been taken into consideration.

Mr. D. N. Pritt (Labour) objected that in view of the new proceedings it was most improper to surrender the men.

General Situation

Making a statement on the general position in the Far East, Mr. Butler said that hostilities had for some time been on a very restricted scale, though operations of some importance appeared to be in progress from the beginning of May on the Mongol-Manchu frontier.

In an aide memoire on September 5 to representatives of Britain, France, Germany and Poland, the Japanese Government stated its intention to concentrate efforts to settle the dispute with China.

Sir Robert Craigie's conversations with the Japanese Government were at present in suspense. The British Government made it clear that they were anxious to continue the conversations in the hope that agreement might be reached on all outstanding points.

Meanwhile, the situation in Tientsin was unchanged, except insofar as it was complicated by the floods.

TRAIN ROUTES RE-OPENED

LONDON, Sept. 7. (Reuters).—Train services between Rome and Paris will be resumed to-day.

Train services between Switzerland and Italy have already been resumed. The Orient Express will now travel as far as Paris instead of ending the service at Milan.

The Belgium air line resumed service yesterday between Belgium and England after having suspended its schedule for a week.

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War Waste

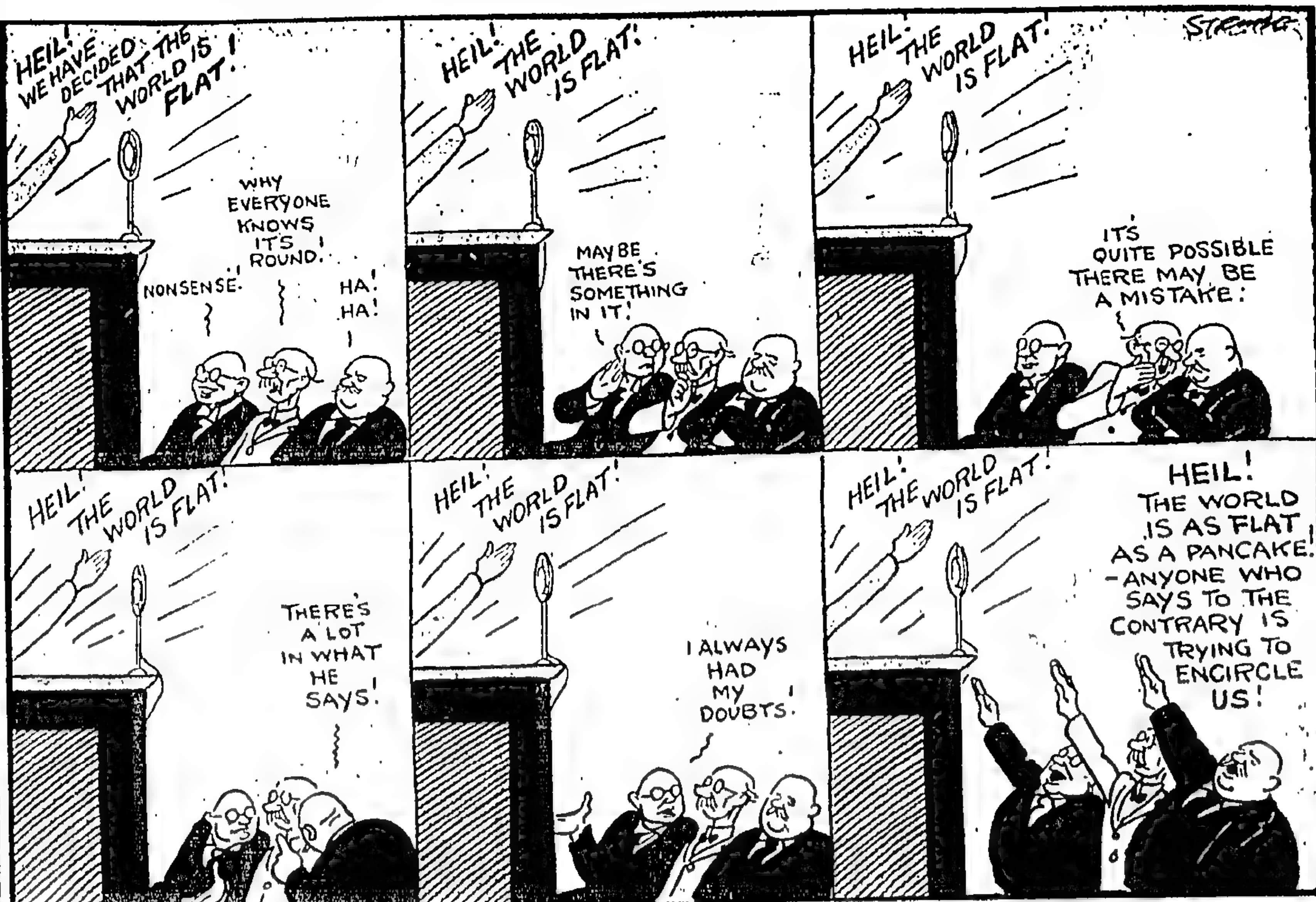
THE deplorable wastefulness of war is painfully exemplified by what has taken place in China since the beginning of this year. In the last seven or eight years hundreds of miles of motor roads were completed in Hunan and Kiangsi, linking the principal towns. It was a work of very great difficulty and labour. Thousands of bridges and culverts had to be built, and in hilly regions the track had to be hewn out of the solid rock.

This made an enormous change for the better in the social and economic life of the people. But it had other and unforeseen results. This network of roads enabled the Japanese to make rapid advance on towns evacuated by Chinese troops and civilians.

To prevent this the Chinese have resolved to destroy utterly what they had accomplished at such cost.

A correspondent of the *Times* tells how thoroughly this act of sacrifice has been carried out. He says that these roads, covering an area the size of England and Wales, have been entirely destroyed. Thousands of men are working to make rebuilding impossible. Every bridge and culvert has been torn down or blown up. Deep and wide trenches have been dug at intervals of a hundred yards. Even the old paths through the rice fields and over the mountain passes have been obliterated. On low-lying land the way has been ploughed and flooded, and is already planted with rice. It would be the work of a few hours to break up the narrow tracks—that remain and leave the whole countryside a series of flooded valleys knee-deep in mud.

Much has been told in history of the heroism of hard-pressed nations flooding their country to impede the advance of invaders. But surely nothing on so extensive a scale as this in China. It tells more than many battles of the determination of the Chinese people to preserve their integrity and freedom at any cost.



IMPROPAGANDA

—Struck in the "Daily Express".

Soldier Statesman

The Man who brought South Africa
Into the War Yesterday

IF a world federation of States could be brought into existence to-morrow, there are a good many people who would vote for General Smuts as the best possible president.

He has that balance of gifts that helps to ensure both sanity and order. He combines moral idealism with hard practical sense. He is a fearless fighter, with a genius for compromise at the auspicious moment. He is a believer in liberty and a disciplinarian. And he has a versatile brain that seems capable of mastering any problem to which it applies itself.

I doubt, however, whether the mass of Englishmen have more than a vague knowledge of the personality and career of this extraordinary man. To most of them the facts related in Mrs. Sarah Gertrude Millin's biography, "General Smuts," published recently, will have the exciting freshness of news.

Comparatively few people even know that the Smuts who was afterwards to fight for the Boers against the British was born a British subject in the Cape of Good Hope. A feeble child, he was not expected to live long, and did not learn to read or write till he was 12 years old. He remained "pale and weedy" till he became a soldier in the war, but, to compensate for this, he possessed "terrific" energy, which was manifest even in his school days.

This was shown in the last week of his last term at school when, knowing no Greek, he had to learn enough Greek to pass his matriculation. "On Monday he took up his Greek grammar. . . . He read it violently for six days and then he knew it by heart, the whole book—declensions, conjugations, irregular verbs and all." As a result of this and similar exploits, he came out first in the examination. He showed the same spirit of

determination in pushing himself through Cambridge with the aid of a scholarship and borrowed money. He intended to become a lawyer, and, with this object in view, he was scarcely even tempted by pleasure.

To the present day, he does not smoke or drink or play cards. He has always disliked dancing and games and "girls as girls." He cares nothing for pictures or music. He does not mind how he eats or lives. "He likes to be uncomfortable."

At the same time, his asceticism was never that of a man bent at all costs upon worldly success. He loved books—especially poetry, such as that of Whitman, which seemed to give life a meaning and purpose.

While at Cambridge, indeed, he wrote a book on Whitman which was rejected—with compliments—by George Meredith, then "reading" for Chapman and Hall.

Returning to South Africa, he was drawn to Cecil Rhodes as a worker for unity between the Dutch and the English. Shocked by the Jameson Raid, however, he joined the Transvaal Bar and became State Attorney under Kruger. Even so, he did all in his power to prevent war between the Dutch and the English. When compromise proved impossible, he entered on a new career and ultimately became a leader in guerrilla warfare comparable in some respects with Lawrence of Arabia.

That was the period of his life, he declares, in which he took the greatest "boyish" satisfaction. He found that he had "no bodily fear." He was temporarily indifferent to death and wounds, not only for himself but for others. "The men who were affected by the dead and wounded," he said afterwards, "were the neurotics."

Mrs. Millin gives us an unforgettable picture of this tattered General, invading Cape Colony with his tiny forces, eluding the army of a great Empire—a soldier at once on the offensive and on the run, carrying a Greek Testament

and Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" in his saddle-bag.

The present volume of Mrs. Millin's biography brings the story of General Smuts down only to the day in 1917 on which Mr. Lloyd George invited him to join the War Cabinet. But by that time he had already proved himself the great fighter and the great peacemaker that the world knows.

He had helped to make peace with the English at the right moment, and to preserve that peace by persuading the Liberal Cabinet to restore freedom to South Africa. He had faced rebellion and revolution at home indifferent alike to calumny and danger. And his wisdom was as remarkable as his courage. Speaking of the rebellion of 1914 he said: "Was not the rebellion of 1914 quite understandable? We understood it and treated the rebels with leniency."

General Smuts, however, would modestly disclaim any praise of himself as an ideal leader during those years and the years in which he fought the Germans in East Africa. He had "hungry, angry eyes," Mrs. Millin declares, till, at the age

of 50, he came to Paris during the peace negotiations. General Smuts would agree with her:

"The misery after the Boer War was nothing to it," he says. "It was a break in one's own life, but not in the whole world. Paris showed me the crack in life itself. It changed me. I am a softer man than I used to be. Whether for better or for worse, I don't know. I was hard as a young man—hard and confident and successful."

It is the softer, more human post-war Smuts that a large part of the civilised world has come to trust and honour—the patriot who believes that "civilisation is one body, and we are all members one of another." It is true that Mrs. Millin, in her brilliant and scrupulously faithful narrative, claims that he was always "a natural negotiator, a believer in conference." But it is only since the War that General Smuts has had an opportunity of applying his genius in this sphere to problems on the solution of which depend the safety and happiness of mankind. And to-day, when he addresses the world, it is as one of the wisest and most magnanimous of its fallible inhabitants.

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OVERNIGHT
NEWS PAGEEire Takes
Precautions

Dublin, Sept. 7. Although Eire is neutral, emergency defence measures have been rapidly inaugurated, including the calling out of certain reserves, black-outs, air raid trenches and censorship of mails and telegrams. The Government has announced that from now Irish ships must obtain licences before sailing. Digging of trenches is being carried out in Mount Joy Square.

Black-outs have so far been less rigid than in Britain, but they will now be complete.

Officers in the general reserve, and non-commissioned officers, as well as certain officers and men of the volunteer force, have been called up. —United Press.

War Situation

PREMIER
TELLS THE
COMMONS
Tribute To Poles

London, Sept. 7. Making his promised statement in the House of Commons on the progress of the war, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said:

"The House will realise it is only possible to give a general indication of the present situation and the state of our defences, as there are necessarily a number of points to which, in the public interest, it is impossible to refer."

"In the East the Poles are fighting hard against a strong and ruthless enemy who is relying on his weight of numbers and the state of our defences, as there are necessarily a number of points to which, in the public interest, it is impossible to refer."

"Against overwhelming superiority in the air and outmarching and out-gunning him in the field, the Polish soldier has shown himself to be a courageous and determined fighter and today he is worthily maintaining this tradition."

"The Germans have often stressed the need for a short war and a quick decision. In pursuance of this idea the German plan appears to be to concentrate the main effort against Poland, and as the House is aware, that country was invaded just over a week ago without formal declaration of war."

Morale Unaffected

"In spite of human and material losses which they have already suffered, the morale and courage of the Polish people remains unaffected. Financial assistance to Poland is being given, and the House is aware that the country was invaded just over a week ago without formal declaration of war."

"In the West, France has, like ourselves, mobilised her forces with complete efficiency and smoothness and is now in contact with the enemy on their frontier. Certain information has been published of what has taken place, but for obvious reasons no details can yet be disclosed. The outbreak of war found the same spirit of determination and solidarity among the French people as is evident here."

"The understanding between the two countries is complete, and arrangements which have now been put into force for the co-operation in all their activities concerned with the prosecution of the war are working smoothly."

Home Defences

"In this country the defensive military dispositions of our army, which cover a very wide field, were made in good time owing to precautionary measures which it was decided to adopt during the period of the Munich crisis. The manning of anti-aircraft and coast defences was efficiently carried out. Within a short time of calling out our units guns and searchlights were fully manned. Since a large number of anti-aircraft units were in camp and away from their home stations, this reflects great credit on their organisation."

"Guarding vulnerable points has been taken over by the national defence companies, supplemented by personnel of the Territorial Army. The personnel reached their posts with the minimum of delay and under trying weather conditions."

Women's Work

"The mobilisation of the remainder of the army has been carried out with the greatest smoothness. The morale of all ranks is high, and in particular the spirit of the reservists recalled from civil life, some of whom have already this year been called for training, is excellent."

"It should like to make special mention of the women of the Auxiliary Territorial Services who are performing many tasks under arduous conditions, and thereby relieving soldiers for fighting duties."

"Turning to the naval side the important feature up to the present has been the development of the German U-boat attacks on our shipping."

"The sinking of the Athenia with its scenes of death and terror virtually opened the war and no denials or inventions on part of Germany will convince the public of German innocence of this crime, which has profoundly shocked and horrified the world." —Reuter.

POLES CONTEMPLATING
STRONG COUNTER-ATTACKBritish Troops Are
Landed In France

Hostilities on the Western Front have begun on a large scale, though no impressive engagements have been fought and it is announced that the positions of both armies having been prepared so long beforehand spectacular engagements are unlikely.

The French have, however, penetrated German territory in the Saar area and report considerable artillery duels.

British troops are reported to be "pouring into France", while the latter country confidently states that British aid during the early stages of the war is likely to be vastly greater than during 1914-15 owing to Britain's greater preparedness.

Various quarters point out that the Poles have used good sense to withdraw from difficult positions which were never considered safe to try and hold, but that the German advance may not have been as fast as Germany anticipated and that resistance is by no means at an end in the East.

London, Sept. 7. The first week of the German campaign has ended in Poland with a pincer movement extended towards Warsaw. According to military opinion here resolute measures are needed at present in Warsaw, which is the focal point of Poland's rail and road communications, to prevent them falling into the hands of the enemy.

However, the Poles may be planning a counter-attack on the German left flank to relieve the threat. In view of reports that there is heavy fighting on the Płock-Ciechanow line, to which reinforcements have been rushed.

German troops are now obviously taking considerable interest in the importance of the Vistula as a barrier. The left flank of the German advance is now much exposed.

The fate of Warsaw is believed to depend of whether the Poles still possess enough reserves to be able, at the same time they are resisting the German pressure on the right flank in the Lodz sector, to counter-attack in the north.

Tactics Foreseen

Experts said that the German advances were foreseen at the Polish frontiers where the line itself is favourable to a pincer movement towards Warsaw.

It is believed that the Poles are wisely not engaging the bulk of their forces to defend that territory which it was never intended that they should hold against a mass attack, leaving available for a counter-attack to their reserves.

Nothing sensational is reported from the western front. At present it is reported that the tactical conditions are very different to those prevailing in 1914, when troops manoeuvred in the open country and clashed within the first few hours of the war.

To-day the Siegfried Line and Maginot Line are prepared for contact, permitting only localised contact between outposts, while the great armies are occupying previously prepared lines of considerable depth while the grand secret strategy develops.

The allies' operations are proceeding intensively, but with the greatest secrecy. They are sweeping German shipping from the seas. They have obviously begun a convoy system and enemy submarines are being attacked. —United Press.

Times Follow Strategy

London, Sept. 7. A glance at the map will show the folly of any attempt to hold the Polish frontiers against attack in force, declares The Times leader on the progress of the war. The German advances, therefore, have not been unexpected either in extent or speed, and may even in both respects have been inferior to German expectations.

The Polish skill and courage have made the enemy pay a considerable price, and it does seem that the Poles have wisely not engaged the bulk of their forces in defence of the territories which they never intended to hold against mass attacks.

The public must therefore be prepared for further German advances in the north, but there is no sign whatever on the Polish side of the depression which would follow a strategical defeat.

As for the actual conduct of operations, it will have been observed that Hitler has naturally broken his promise to confine all attacks to military objectives. The German Air Force has been ruthlessly and effectively used, not only on the battlefield but also against open towns. —Reuter.

Streams Of Evacuees

Warsaw, Sept. 7. Most of the population of Warsaw has evacuated, but there are streams of refugees entering the capital from Lodz, 70 miles south-west of Warsaw. —Reuter Bulletin.

Corridor Eliminated

Berlin, Sept. 7. The Germans claim that Danzig and East Prussia are no longer separated by a corridor. Hitler is reported to be visiting this section of the front. —Reuter Bulletin.

Poles Surrender

Berlin, Sept. 7. The Berlin War Ministry announces that the Polish garrison at Westplatte, in Danzig, surrendered at 10.10 a.m. A tribute is paid to their courage. —United Press.

This garrison was holding a Polish

munitious dump near the entrance to the Harbour.

On Western Front

London, Sept. 7. Concurrently with the French offensive in the Saar, French artillery is pounding the Siegfried Line, which Herr Hitler claims is "impenetrable."

Although it is estimated that Germany has poured sixty divisions into Poland, reports of the widening-scale offensive on Germany's western front has caused Polish diplomats to sigh with relief. —United Press.

Seven Miles Gain

Paris, Sept. 7. It is telephonically reported from the Western Front at 6 a.m. that 600 French tanks have succeeded in penetrating the German lines up to a distance of seven miles, in several sectors.

Several Saar villages have been captured by the French forces, which are now apparently concentrating all their attention on the drive towards the provincial capital, Saarbrücken. —United Press.

British Troops Arriving

Paris, Sept. 7. A war communiqué issued at 11 a.m. states that activity has been marked on both sides of the front. British troops pour into France, and French artillery continue to pound the German defences. Fighting continues on the entire line between the Rhine and Moselle. —United Press.

Rapid Advance

London, Sept. 7. The Polish radio station today announced that the French troops late last night reached the outskirts of Saarbrücken.

The advance was so rapid that the Germans lacked sufficient time to evacuate the municipalities and administrative centres of several small towns. —United Press.

"All Quiet" Report

Berlin, Sept. 7. The German High Command announced that "not a shot has been fired on the Western Front" and described the Paris reports of penetration as "nonsense." —United Press.

Mopping Up Operations

Paris, Sept. 7. A war communiqué issued this morning states that there has been marked activity on both sides.

Newspaper reports say that French troops crossed the frontier and mopped up the German machine gun nests in No Man's Land. A heavy French artillery bombardment was

AMERICA WATCHING
THE FAR EAST

Tokyo, Sept. 7. It is possible that the United States will "co-operate" with Japan in the Far East in the not distant future if Japan refrains from using violence in China and does not disturb peaceful conditions there, the New York correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun declares, quoting informed observers in America.

With Great Britain allegedly having her hands full in Europe, the United States is apparently the only Power able to guard the Western interests in the Orient.

The United States is also now more occupied with European affairs than with Far Eastern questions, according to the report. What attention she does devote to conditions in China is evoked mainly by the fear that Japan might aggravate her policy in China in view of the European war.

Japan's policies will have far-reaching effects on the course of events in Europe and in consideration of these circumstances the United States is now viewing Japan's attitude with cautious eyes, the Asahi correspondent says. —Domei.

America Is Watching

Washington, Sept. 7. Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, told the Press that the United States was paying full attention to developments in the Far East, such as the Japanese request to the British and French to withdraw their armed forces from China.

He said that America would continue to study the situation closely in reply to question as to whether the United States' Far Eastern policy

Unrest Grows
In Reich

Brussels, Sept. 7. The newspaper Sieck, quoting an Italian broadcast, reports anti-war demonstrations in Berlin, Prague and Vienna. These were brutally dispersed by the Gestapo.

The Journal Libre de Belgique reports disorders in Cologne, Düsseldorf, Essen, Brno and Pilsen, where the great Skoda armament works are situated.

Strong detachments of Black Guards have been sent to Dresden and Leipzig and to Bohemia and Moravia. —Reuter.

Big Neutral
Bloc
Americans Stand
Firm On Action

Panama City, Sept. 7. The largest neutral bloc in the history of the world appeared to be in process of development after it was announced that the Pan-American meeting on September 21 will discuss the feasibility of making a common declaration.

The swift evolution of neutrality sentiment in the Western Hemisphere—except Canada—has been contracted from the previous war when the slow policies culminated in declarations of war by eight countries for France and German allies while seven were permanently neutral.

Argentina, Brazil and Chile—the ABC bloc—have already announced their neutrality. It is now reliably learned that they are determined to remain neutral even if the United States enters the war.

Similar declarations have been made in Mexico, Cuba, the United States and Uruguay, while Nicaragua and Colombia will make an announcement at the conference. —United Press.

carried out to enable the French troops to consolidate their advance. —Reuter Bulletin.

France Is Efficient

Paris, Sept. 7. The following is the text of a war communiqué:

Our advance elements progressing beyond the frontier in varying advances on diverse parts of the front, everywhere meeting with resistance from automatic arms and campaign organisations.

Aviation activity is proceeding in liaison with land action.

The transport installations of all units are proceeding normally.

Diverse rank officers, in conformity with our traditions, are making an effort to facilitate as far as possible the normal life of the corps, whose morale is excellent.

The supplying of arms is functioning in correct manner. —United Press.

Moving Toward Saarbrücken

London, Sept. 7. In a broadcast by the B.B.C. it is stated that French troops led by tanks penetrated the western front and are passing towards Saarbrücken. Heavy fighting is going on in the Moselle region. —United Press.

Action Along Big Sector

Paris, Sept. 7. Action along the entire frontier between the Rhine and Moselle is reported. —Reuter Bulletin.

Japan
And The
European
Conflict

Shanghai, Sept. 7. Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, the Japanese Consul-General yesterday visited the British, French and German Consuls-General in Shanghai and communicated the Japanese Government's decision not to intervene in the European war.

A Japanese Navy spokesman revealed that, in accordance with the Japanese Government's decision which was communicated to the foreign Ambassadors concerned on Tuesday, Rear-Admiral Kusaku, representing Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Fleet in China Waters, called on the British and French Naval Commanders in Shanghai yesterday and asked them to comply with the Japanese advice.

The spokesman pointed out that the Japanese decisions were made with a view to avoiding untoward incidents in China in connection with the European war, while Japan would remain neutral and pursue her established policy in China. —Domei.

Cultural Activities

Tokyo, Sept. 7. Acting in line with the Government's decision not to intervene in the European war, various international cultural institutions in Japan, including the Society for International Cultural Relations, have decided to continue their activities irrespective of the European war.

Following the outbreak of the war in Europe, these bodies were understood to have suspended activity temporarily. Encouraged by the Government's decision to remain neutral, however, the Society for International Cultural Relations and other organisations will continue to maintain contact with Britain, France, Italy, Germany and other countries abroad. —Domei.

Currency Problems

Tokyo, Sept. 7. There are still no sufficient indications that the Ministry of Finance is planning to modify the linking of the Japanese currency with sterling despite the outbreak of the European war, the Asahi Shimbun points out.

Recent fall in the Anglo-American rate has considerably affected the Yen against the U.S. dollar. It is understood that the authorities were contemplating the possibility of switching the Yen link from sterling to the U.S. dollar in the event of serious fluctuations in the Anglo-American cross-rate.

The British Government has announced that the Anglo-American cross-rate will be maintained at U.S.\$4.02, and as a result the Yen-dollar rate has been forced down to 23 1/2 U.S. cents per yen. The change in the Yen-dollar rate has raised the prices of raw silk and other Japanese exports to America.

With the prices of imports from America also advancing, Japan's living costs are showing signs of increase.

Unless the Anglo-American cross rate is changed, however, the new level in the Yen-dollar exchange rate will it is understood, remain unchanged. Interested circles are studying the problem of whether the present Yen-dollar rate is suitable for the economic conditions in Japan. —Domei.

Attitude Of The Navy

Tokyo, Sept. 7. For the sake of a speedy settlement of the China Affair, the Japanese Navy does not want the European war to spread to the Far East, Rear-Admiral Masao Kanasawa, Chief of the Publicity Bureau of the Navy Ministry, declared at the Press Conference this morning.

Admiral Kanasawa said no changes have taken place in the policy of the Japanese Navy, which has been on the war footing since the outbreak of the China Affair.

Questioned regarding the rumours that Japanese shipping interests were negotiating for the purchase of the German steamers staying in Japan, the Navy spokesman pointed out that they were mere rumours and the Navy had nothing to do with them.

Concluding, the Japanese Navy spokesman added that the Japanese Navy's policy was calculated not to intervene in the European war and that its uppermost concern was the successful completion of the China Affair. —Domei.

Report Is Denied

Shanghai, Sept. 7. The British Embassy has denied the report appearing in the Japan Times that the British land and naval forces in Japanese occupied China areas are leaving immediately for Hongkong and Singapore, respectively.

A British spokesman said that they had not received any such orders for evacuation from the Government, and that it was highly improbable that the British troops and ships would leave soon.

He said that Japan's request for evacuation was made on Tuesday and communicated to the Home Government. However, London had not yet replied or given any orders in this connection. —United Press.

Ambassador Told

London, Sept. 7. The Ministry of Information has announced that the British Ambassador in Tokyo has received a communication from the Japanese Government to the effect that Japan does not intend to become involved in the European war.

The Japanese Government has requested that the British Government should refrain from taking any measures such as might prejudice Japan's position with regard to the China affair. —United Press.



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(By "Captain Foster")

At the Hongkong Jockey Club stables last week the drawing of the Australian subscription ponies to be raced in 1940 was held before a large crowd of owners and followers of the turf, the numbers from the drum being picked out by Lady MacGregor and Mrs. A. E. Grasett.

A list of the draw is appended below:

Pony No.	Owner	Colour	Sire
1	Moneley	Brown M.	Caravis
2	Meerlamda	Brown	Cisterian
3	Deans	Ches.	Graculus
4	Marler 1	Ches. M.	Stare
5	Mrs. Pearce	Bay	Carma Younger
6	Dr. Lee Shiu-kee	Bay M.	Little Toy
7	H. Y. Liang	Bay M.	Canterbury King
8	La Tong-son	Bay M.	Lynne
9	La and Edgar	Ches. M.	Powells Court
10	Grada	Bay M.	Brewan
11	Valda	Bay M.	Sum King
12	Crystal	Brown M.	Kingspear
13	Elkinder	Ches. M.	Double Court
14	Winner	Ches.	Dinah Jim
15	Lan	Bay M.	Farr
16	H. W.	Bay M.	Barleyspear
17	C. W. K.	Bay M.	Graculus
18	L. Reddy	Bay M.	Chocolate
19	Wayfoot	Ches. M.	Double Court
20	G. Timson	Brown M.	Sum King
21	Chau Hio	Bay M.	Polycastr
22	O. K.	Bay M.	Redge
23	Kwong Hung-wang	Ches. M.	Midnight Frolic
24	J. F. Macgregor	Ches. M.	Monash Valley
25	Dyans	Ches. M.	Hebrus
26	Quartermaster	Ches. M.	Monash Valley
27	Li Bros.	Bay M.	Grand Alliance
28	Huo	Bay	Speartree
29	John Peel	Bay	Modest Morn
30	D. L.	Brown M.	Tresco
31	Andrew Johnston	Ches. M.	Black Adder
32	S. W. Chan	Brown	Cheek
33	Weetoo	Bay	Sum King
34	H. Y. Chuong	Bay M.	Brewan
35	Mrs. E. Tong-son	Bay	Caravis
36	Choice	Brown M.	Caravis
37	Marber	Ches.	Caravis
38	Y. L. Y.	Bay M.	Comus
39	M. and Mrs. Stanton	Bay M.	Chrysoskeus
40	Tennis	Bay M.	Caravis
41	S. L. K.	Bay M.	Prince Caro
42	S. L. K.	Ches. M.	Philens
43	Diamonds	Ches. M.	Thud King
44	Li Po-chun	Bay	Magnesia
45	Yan Man	Bay	Excitement
46	Lucky	Ches. M.	Barleyspear
47	S. T. Williamson	Bay M.	Lorin
48	Mrs. H. Y. Chuong	Brown M.	Civilian
49	Dr. S. N. Chau	Brown M.	Civilian
50	Ash	Brown M.	Magnesia
51	Y. H.	Bay M.	Seabound
52	Li Shiu-hung	Ches.	Piccolo
53	Shields and Stanton	Ches.	Farr
54	Mrs. A. E. Grasett	Ches. M.	George Graves
55	E. S. K.	Ches. M.	Double Court
56	S. W. Lee	Brown	Cruculus
57	Lee Bros.	Ches. M.	Double Court
58	L. Dunbar	Bay M.	Double Court
59	S. M. K.	Bay M.	Comanche
60	J. H. Jensen	Ches. M.	Balmorino
61	Crona	Ches. M.	Balmorino

THREE REJECTED

It has always been the custom for the suppliers to ship along a few extra cobs and it may be of interest to know that only three out of the consignment of 61 ponies were rejected by the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club. It was the last batch of Australian ponies imported since the introduction in fact three times more than the first trial consignment of 20 animals landed here for the 1931 Annual Carnival. It will be recalled that the Stewards limited this year's order to sixty ponies, but the actual amount subscribed for by the members was just one over 60.

At one time some Chinese owners were not in favour of these animals from the Antipodes owing to the difficulty of breaking them. There was also some prejudice in another section that the ponies could not stand hard racing. To cut the long story short, the tide has now turned in favour of the Australian cobs and they certainly provide better racing. I enumerate below a list showing the number of subscription gaffins imported since 1931:

Year	Number of ponies drawn
1931	22
1932	23
1933	25
1934	27
1935	38
1936	43
1937	42
1938	41
1939	55
1940	61

INCREASED NUMBER

Rooty-Hill Derby was first run in 1932, but if the classic event had been introduced a year earlier Woodland Stag would have annexed the Blue Riband without any opposition. However the above list shows that the importation of Australian ponies was quite steady from 1936 to 1938 averaging 40 odd per year, but the importer suddenly jumped up to 55 ponies this season and it looks that there is not much of a chance for the mercury to be much higher than 60 on account of the limitation by the Stewards. Owing to the size of our race track I am of the opinion that 60 ponies are beyond the limit and I shall not be surprised to see that the Sydney Maiden Stakes being divided into three sections.

This bunch of ponies, which will be seen in action at the 1940 Annual Meeting, has cost each owner an additional \$100 and the advance over last season's price was for an improved type of animals. The increase was certainly justified; in fact the consignment was far above

those of previous seasons, and there are 45 mares against 10 geldings. In perusing the list of sires I was glad to find that the chestnut pony No. 55, drawn by Messrs. Shields and Stanton, was by Piccolo, a full history of Mr. J. F. Macgregor's charger is not necessary here, but his pony collected to date \$12,350. The joint drawers of No. 55 should be pleased with their make.

LIKELY ONES

There are five offsprings by Double Court and all are mares (four chestnuts and a bay). No. 13 was drawn by Ellandale, No. 19 by the Weymouth, No. 59 by S. W. Lee, No. 61 by L. Dunbar and No. 62 bay mare by S. M. Kong. They are lovely animals, the youngest being No. 61, a three year old, drawn by Mr. L. Dunbar.

Double Court is well known among the racing fraternity, for all his offsprings have performed exceptionally well at Happy Valley, and the best four were Derby Day (won \$5,750), Centre Court (\$4,550), Double Court (\$5,000) and Cooling Eve (\$4,883). In 1935 St. Kitts did not face the start, but in 1937 Such Fun collected \$300 and Bravado made \$150. The last two were geldings and therefore all the big wins were by the mares. I am sure the five new mares will be prominent at the big meeting.

The sire of Cockerel (\$1,650) is Brewan, who sired No. 10 bay mare drawn by Gredka and No. 34 bay mare owned by H. Y. Chuong. No. 29 belonging to John Peel was Modest Morn, who sired victory Day (\$1,650) and the form book shows that the pony was very good over short distances.

By Tresco, Little Vic (1934) was a bad lady for unsavoury Chinese riding boys and jockeys, but her sister, Southern Cross (1935) annexed a couple of races, closing the season with a credit of \$1,200. The stable (D.L.) has drawn pony No. 30 by Tresco, the young brown mare is not a bad mover.

Mrs. Pearce has drawn a bay gelding No. 5 by Carma Younger who was the sire of Buck and Gamma of the 1934 class and Canterbury Girl of the 1936 lot. The latter started twice, but the other two never came under the starter's orders.

UNSUCCESSFUL SIRES

There are a few more sires known to the racing fans, but the offsprings were never in the limelight. Fairy (1935) by Graculus, Mount Pilatus (1935) by Black Adder and Broadway Bill (1938) by Seabound were fired without being able to earn a



M. W. MacGrath
Hongkong's loss is Bermuda's gain.

RUGGERITE LEAVING COLONY

M. W. MacGrath Goes To Bermuda

Local rugby circles will regret to learn that M. W. MacGrath, the Club full-back, has been transferred to Bermuda and will be leaving the Colony by the President Pierce tomorrow.

Since he came to Hongkong from Singapore two years ago, MacGrath has been turning out regularly for the Hongkong F.C. 1st XV, first as a three-quarter and later as full back. A most versatile player, he has also filled the fly-half position when the occasion arose.

During his two-year stay in Hongkong, MacGrath has held the post of Assistant Armament Supply Officer at H. M. Dockyard. A cable arrived a few days ago notifying him of his transfer to Bermuda.

MacGrath's cheery nature has earned him many friends in Hongkong and they will all wish him and Mrs. MacGrath the best of luck in their new sphere of activities.

INDIAN CRICKET "FIND"

Claims Of Fast Bowler

Yet another candidate for All-India cricket honours is about to leave for India—Devraj Puri, the Punjab fast bowler, who has spent the past three years in England. He is a son of Mr. B. Puri, a widely known Lahore barrister.

Puri came into prominence in India as fast bowler when he was at Government College, Lahore, and captained the Punjab University XI in the winter of 1935-36. Even prior to that date, however, he had played against the M.C.C. during their 1934-35 tour of India. When the late Maharaja of Patiala brought an Australian XI to India in 1935-36, Puri appeared against Ryder and his men with moderate success in two matches, including one of the unofficial Tests.

Arriving in England in the following summer, Puri quickly jumped into prominence in London club cricket circles as a member of the strongest side ever fielded by the Indian Gymkhana. His possibilities were clearly foreseen, and he had the good sense to correct a faulty and prodigiously long run to the wicket. Cutting it down to 12 or 14 paces, and curling himself off a midway interruption which used to detract from his speed, Puri succeeded in maintaining his great pace (which definitely admitted him into the category of "fast bowler") and in increasing his accuracy.

cent to pay for their hay and corn. True Blue, Hellum and Schmetterling were sired by Polycastr and the last named pony managed to collect only \$100. It is, however, hoped that the 1940 new lot of maiden mares and geldings by the above sires will turn out to be good "uns."

Caravis, who is a sire unknown to us, is well represented by ponies Nos. 1, 35, 37, 38 and 42 and they are a nice bunch. Pony No. 23 by Midnight Frolic is a good trotter and when she puts on a few pounds more of flesh and fat, the mare will be another animal. Personally I like Nos. 36 and 50, both sired by Lorin and the two brown mares have the making of first class racers. All the ponies are at present lacking in substance and strength and in the circumstances it is pretty hard to say who has the best flower of the flock.

It is interesting to relate that there is not a single progeny in 1940's bunch by Tom McCarthy, who sired Lucky, Lad, Chiltern and Candlelight.

VISIT OF INDO-CHINA SOCCER XI POSTPONED

(By "Abe")

Hongkong football enthusiasts may not be able to have the pleasure of seeing the combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team in action after all. The team, which was due to arrive in the Colony yesterday, did not do so.

Only the manager of the team, Mr. Sammy Tsang, arrived by the s.s. Canton and he explained to officials of the Eastern Athletic Association, sponsors of the visit, that the present international situation had caused some doubts in Indo-China as to the advisability of sending a team to the Colony at the moment.

He has been sent here by the Indo-China soccer authorities to discuss matters with the Eastern officials. Up to now it is not yet decided whether to call off the whole visit or merely postpone it. An official of the Eastern Athletic Association told me this morning that a cable had already been sent to Indo-China, and pending a reply he could not say definitely one way or the other.

MAY COME NEXT WEEK

But the Eastern A. A. are trying to persuade Indo-China to send a team here next week.

Mr. Sammy Tsang is the former Eastern goal-keeper; he is now working in Indo-China. He played in several representative matches while in Hongkong a couple of seasons ago and is partly responsible for arranging the tour.

Three matches had been arranged for the visiting team in the Colony, first against Eastern, second against the Chinese Federation and the third against the Rest of the Colony.

Bowls Teams For Saturday

The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. in the Lawn Bowls League (First Division) against the Kowloon C.C. at Happy Valley tomorrow.

E. W. Simmonds, J. Deakin, A. W. Grimmett and F. Jones (skip); S. Ecclesham, W. J. Burling, L. A. Collyer and H. Strange (skip); R. R. Davis, R. H. Woodcock, M. N. Hakusen and J. Holliday (skip).

INDIAN TEAM
The following will represent the Indian R.C. in their away match against the Club de Recreo "A" at 3.30 p.m.:
D. M. Khan, A. M. Wahab, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (skip); J. Hosen, S. M. Rumsan, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu (skip); A. H. Rumsan, A. Baker, A. O. Madar and M. H. Abbas (skip).

H. COTTON ON GOLF RULES

Henry Cotton, Winner of the Open Golf Championship in 1934 and 1937, writes in News of the World, "Rules of golf receive strange interpretations sometimes. I read that Miss Pann Barton teed up in front of the discs when qualifying for the American women's championship. She was penalised one stroke. I thought the penalty was disqualification. She is not alone in this offence, however."

"Several times in big events this year I thought that my partners drove off in front of the discs and might have exposed them. But as it means such a little advantage and is a difficult thing to prove unless the tee peg remains in the ground, it is best not to see these things. Besides, the risk of beginning an argument would probably be almost more upsetting to oneself than to the culprit. I know that it is against the rules of the game but although I might win an event by proving that a fellow competitor had teed up about three inches out, I side the line between inches out and inches in. I should prefer somebody else to do this type of 'dirty work'."

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Will Play U.S.

Davis Cup Stars

NEW YORK, Aug. 31 (UP).

—The Philippines Davis Cup players will have to meet the United States cup stars as their first opponents in the national singles tennis championships opening at Forest Hills, Long Island, Sept. 7.

Bobby Riggs, mainstay of the American Davis Cup squad, will meet Felicissimo Ampon of the Philippines in the second round.

Both drew first-round byes. Frankie Parker will meet Amado Sanchez in the first round.

Hockey

A Successful Year For Association

A generally satisfactory year and an improved financial position were reported when the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association was held in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday.

Mr. A. A. Dand was re-elected President. In his absence last night Mr. G. E. R. Divett presided.

The Annual Report recorded that, because of the nature of the duties of the naval representative, the Council had decided to allow the attendance of substitutes for naval representatives only. Lt. Gunner had been appointed to the place of Lt. Carver, who had resigned his position as naval representative because of his departure from the Colony. Lt. Douglas, Army Vice-President, had also resigned; Lt. W. Honk had filled the vacancy.

The Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson, had left the Colony for good, and Mr. D. T. Smith had been elected in his place. A letter of thanks for his good work had been sent Mr. Henderson.

The Report, which was unanimously adopted, closed with thanks to people, organisations, and clubs for help they had given in placing equipment, grounds, and furniture at the disposal of the Association.

The financial statement disclosed an excess of income over expenditure of \$31.07, which was appropriated as follows—Reserve against bad and doubtful debts account, \$5; Interpol fund account, \$23.21; carried forward, \$3.66.

Election of Officers

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted:
President, Mr. A. A. Dand; Vice-Presidents, Lt. G. W. Hook, R.A., and J. R. Higgs, and Commander Milner-Burry, R.N.; Honorary Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Xavier; Civilian Council representatives, Messrs. G. E. R. Divett, A. E. P. Guest, J. Goncalves, and Mr. L. Tyler.

The Army and Navy players have to elect their own representatives. careless about the rule but one day somebody will be disqualified and then more attention will be paid to the law."—Our Own Correspondent.

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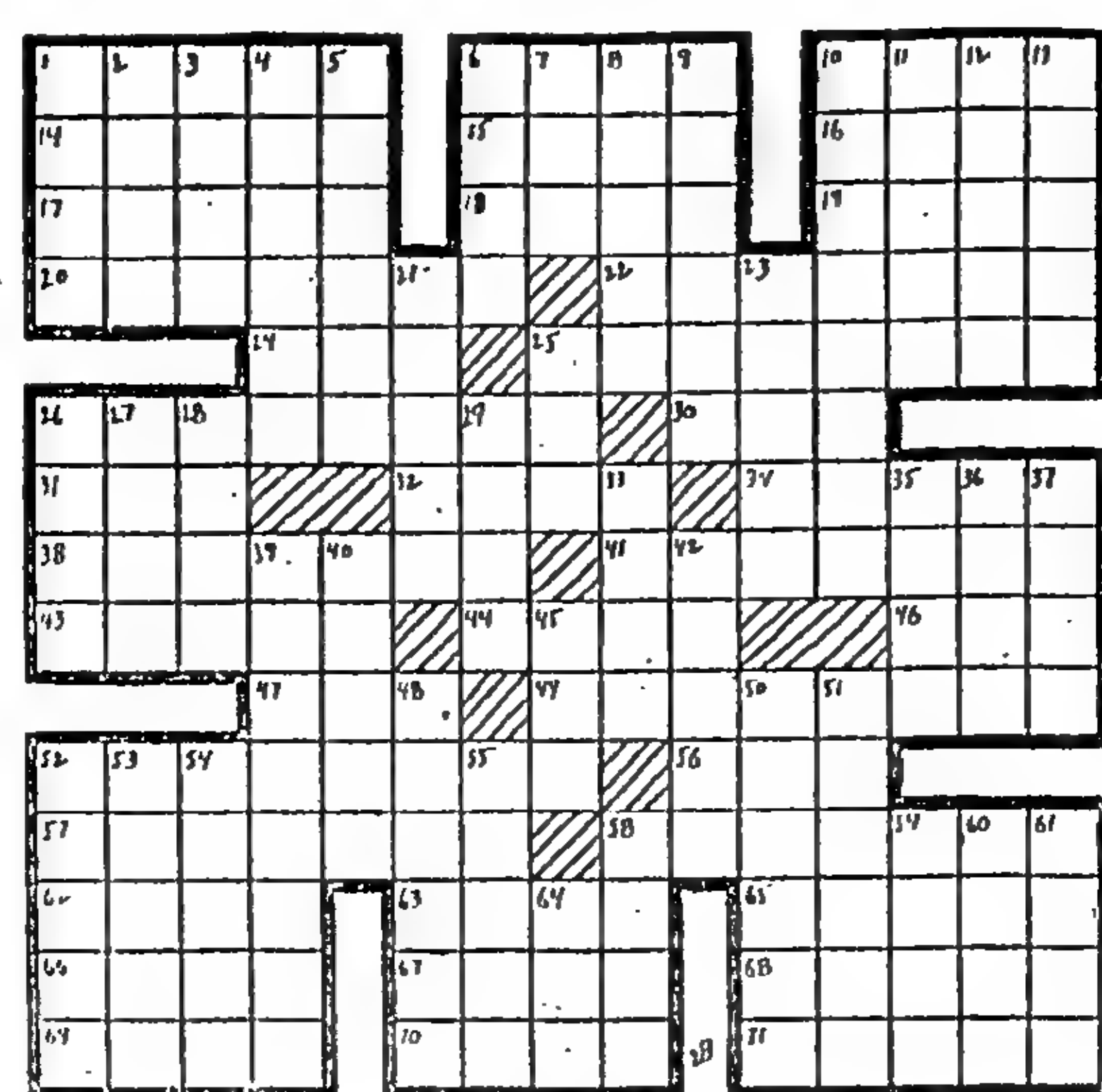
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ACROSS

1-Barbaric instrument
2-Tow
3-Market
4-Dress
5-Thick cord
6-Effective stroke
7-Whipped
8-Hung forth young
9-Hand-like show on
10-Mountain (French)
11-Conqueror
12-Train of results
13-Go to right
14-Confirmed as accurate
15-Recall to mind
16-Whipped
17-Exist as
18-Members of fraternal
19-Entrusted
20-Four on side
21-Three with office
22-Formally
23-Error of endorsement
24-Being around
25-Uproar
26-This thing
27-Made before
28-Disease of kidneys
29-Chopping tool
30-Quarantined
31-Cut in trap
32-Dress engaged
33-One of time
34-Fast-tan plant
35-Producing cotton
36-Joint of leg

DOWN

1-Killed
2-Practiced around
3-Make money
4-Exact satisfaction
5-Start up for
6-Those in favor of
7-Willers
8-Small piece of ground
9-Make explanation for
10-January coins
11-Long fish
12-Willers
13-Push egg
14-Divide
15-Clut-like cantors
16-Referring to theory
17-Principle
18-On fire with
19-Minutes show
20-Covered
21-Internal authority
22-Torment
23-Whip, post
24-Sudden attack
25-Bird of prey
26-High plateau
27-Horned additions
28-Whirled around
29-Darling
30-Boundary
31-Performance
32-Of fortification
33-Kind of flower
34-Type of fortification
35-Siberian plain
36-Actor with silent-lantern parts
37-Bunbury with air
38-Pontard
39-Wanting in understanding
40-Tremulous
41-Magistrate of ancient Rome
42-Devours
43-Cund
44-Evergreen
45-Observes
46-Nickname for former President



FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Purchase in Hongkong To Be Restricted

In order to conserve British foreign exchange resources dealings in Hongkong in all currencies other than sterling and currencies linked with sterling will be restricted as from September 8, 1939. It will only be possible to purchase "foreign" exchange from an authorized dealer, that is, one of the principal British or foreign banks operating in the Colony, and such exchange will only be sold for the following purposes:

To enable a contract made before 3rd September, 1939, to be complied with.

To meet the reasonable requirements of a trade or business.

To defray reasonable travelling or other personal expenses.

The currencies subject to this restriction will include the following:

-U.S. dollars, French francs, Philippine pesos, guilders, Chinese dollars, Argentine pesos, Canadian dollars, Swedish crowns, Belgas, Norwegian crowns, Swiss francs.

No restriction on dealings in sterling and currencies linked with sterling is at present contemplated.

The public should continue to transact business in foreign exchange through their banks.

Foreign Money Order business in respect of small amounts will for the present be continued. The authorized banks are being required to obtain satisfactory evidence from all applicants for exchange to show that the exchange is required for one of the purposes stated in paragraph one. Forward transactions in restricted foreign currencies will be permitted only for genuine commercial purposes.

Export of bank notes, gold, securities and foreign currencies is prohibited except with permission, for which application should be made through a bank. The export of Hongkong bank notes and Chinese bank notes is, however, being freely permitted by special order of the Governor for the time being.

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2-No employee or member of any firm in the photographic trade is permitted to compete.

3-The prizes will be awarded to the competitors sending in what are adjudged to be the best photographs in each Section. Each entry must be accompanied by a form which will be published during the period of the Competition, and which must be pasted on back of entry.

4-The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.

5-All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6-No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7-All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8-Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

9-No picture to be entered in more than one Section.

10-Mounts to be only white or cream, and except in the Children's Section, must be of one of the following sizes: 10x12, 16x20.

11-No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12-Entries in the Children's Section must bear the entrant's name, age and address on the entry form, counter-signed by a parent.

13-Members of the Staff of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

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STREET OBSTRUCTION European Motorists Fined For Bad Parking

A fine of \$5 was imposed on G. Merriman, of the Import and Export Department, by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy yesterday for causing an obstruction with his car in Queen's Road Central on August 25. Merriman said his car broke down, and, though he telephoned a repair station, nobody arrived until late.

Summoned for a similar offence, L. Well, of Pokfulam, was fined \$5. Well left his car parked almost in the centre of Pottinger Street, leaving only enough room for a small car to pass.

B. Shick, of the Hongkong Hotel, was fined \$5 for leaving his car in the Pedder Street park for over two hours on August 24.

Mrs. Johnstone, of May Road, was fined \$5 for allowing her car to remain stationary outside the Hongkong Hotel for longer than necessary on August 25.

BROADCASTING HOURS Monthly Transmissions By ZBW and ZEK

The August report of ZBW and ZEK shows that actual hours of transmission were 451, of which 231 were devoted to European programmes and 220 to Chinese programmes, as follows:

ZBW (European)
Morning transmission, including church relays, 77½; evening transmission, 153½.

Apart from recorded programmes, the following items were broadcast: Studio concerts, 11; studio talks, 2; tongue twister bee, 1; relays (including church services), 15; Daventry relays (including news and cricket relays), 123; Sunday evening epilogues, 4; children's concert, 5.

ZEK (Chinese)
Morning transmission, including church relays, 65; evening transmission, 155.

Apart from record programmes the following items were broadcast: studio concerts, 32; theatre relays, 3; studio talks (including Mandarin lessons), 20; and children's concert, 9.

New licences issued were 290 and renewals 385, making a total of 675 licences issued during 1939.

SNATCHER'S VIOLENCE European Woman Attacked In Kowloon Tong

While on her way to visit her daughter in Waterloo Road on August 21, Mrs. Emily Wood, of Embankment Road, was attacked by a man, who slapped her face and snatched her handbag. As a result, Chan Ho, 26, was committed for trial by Mr. Himsworth at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of robbery with violence.

Det.-Sgt. Dowman said Mrs. Wood and her daughter, Lella, were in Waterloo Road, near Rutland Quadrant, when Chan attacked Mrs. Wood. He slapped her face and snatched her handbag, containing \$78.60, a gold watch valued at \$200, and a fountain pen. Chan was arrested by Lau Hing-yu, cook.

On her way to the police station, Mrs. Wood noticed pepper on her face. When Chan was searched, a packet of pepper was found.

Miss Lella Wood said she was about two yards behind her mother. She identified Chan as the attacker.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY
The Hongkong Philharmonic Society held a social gathering yesterday evening at St. John's Hall, Garden Road, in order to meet the hon. Musical Director, Mr. W. Robertson, and Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs. The opportunity was also taken to discuss the forthcoming production of "No, No, Nanette."



Daniel Noe, 39, victim of one of the battles in strike-torn Harlan, Ky., coal fields, kisses wife in hospital. He died later of bullet wound in abdomen, second fatality of the recent series of riots.

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PREMIER'S PRAISE FOR THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

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nations, they have declared their intention of co-operating in a cause which is no less precious to them than it is to the people of England. Mr. Arthur Greenwood thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his statement and asked the Premier to keep the country informed, promptly whether the news was good or bad.

If the magnificent statement about the Kiel action had been published on the day it had occurred it would have heightened the people. Mr. Chamberlain said he did not want to circulate any information until all the facts had been ascertained, but with experience hoped they would do better in the future.

Doubts Disposed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech has served to dispel any belief that Britain and France might be inclined to temporize with Hitler and discuss a general settlement after Germany has accomplished a lightning conquest of Poland.

Firstly, it is understood that the Polish Ambassador to London has reported to his Government that the British War Cabinet is unflinchingly determined to smash Hitlerism. Secondly, the inclusion of Winston Churchill and Anthony Eden, sworn foes of Nazism, in the Cabinet. Thirdly, the "Times" statement that Hitlerism must be ended.

GERMANS CONCENTRATE TROOPS IN PRAGUE

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trained at this camp to fight on the Western Front. In London the Ministry of Information has announced that a Czech Legion is being formed under the auspices of the former Czech President, Doctor Edvard Benes.

Nazis Tighten Grip

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BERLIN, Sept. 7 (UP).—The Ministerial Defence Council has proclaimed a number of decrees permitting the unlimited lengthening of working hours and making it difficult for anyone to leave a job.

Those affected include ship's crews, who have been ordered to unload ships cargoes if necessary. The emigration of Jews from Germany has practically ceased since the commencement of the war, although a trickle is still going on to the United States, South America, Denmark and Italy. The number of Jews assigned to jobs by the official Jewish Labour Exchange is growing daily as a result of the withdrawal of Germany's manpower to the Army.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The few transactions reported indicate that amongst others H.K. Banks, Unions, Docks & Lands have more or less found their level, but an air of some uncertainty still exists with the remainder of the list.

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Vacation Goes Up in Flames

Greenwich, Conn. Mrs. Hazelene Orr saved \$100 for a vacation trip and put it in a paper bag for safe keeping. When it disappeared she called police. An investigation was in full swing when Mrs. Orr suddenly remembered with grief she had absent-mindedly tossed the bag into an incinerator with other rubbish and burned her savings.

CANADA AT WAR

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of the United Kingdom and the rest of the Commonwealth."

Egypt Sovers Relations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—The Ministry of Information has announced that the British Government has been officially informed that the Egyptian Government has decided to sever diplomatic relations with Germany.

Iraq Joins In

BAGHDAD, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Iraq has decided to sever relations with Germany. It is learned in London that Iraq has informed the German Minister that he must leave the country within 24 hours, and the Iraq representative in Berlin has been instructed to ask for his passport. A number of Germans in Iraq, connected with the military or otherwise, who are regarded as dangerous, have been interned.

Princes Pledge Services

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—To date 33 Indian princes have sent messages of loyalty to the King-Emperor.

Offer To Canada

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Mackenzie Battalion, which fought for the Spanish Government in Spain, has offered its services as a fighting unit of 1,000 men to the Canadian Government.

Too Many Recruits

SIMLA, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—As so many offers for service have been received, the Government has found it necessary to request the public to continue in their ordinary occupations to avoid dislocation of industry.

Indian Officers Called Up

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Officers of the Indian regular reserve have been called up. An ordinance issued yesterday covers the subject of the Indian air force volunteer reserve.

Unintended Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—His Highness the Aga Khan, spiritual ruler of ten million Ismaili Mohammedans has called on his followers to give "unintended service" to the British cause.

Offers By Princes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Maharajah of Travancore has offered to place six lakhs of rupees (£45,000) at the disposal of the British Government towards the cost of prosecuting the war. He has also offered the services of the Travancore army, subject to the requirements of internal defence, and has suggested that he raise a labour corps. The Maharajah of Bikaner has placed at the disposal of the King-Emperor the sum of half a lakh (£3,750) "for war purposes", while

GREETINGS BY LABOUR

British Party's Message To Co-Democracies

LONDON, Sept. 7 (British Wireless).—Mr. Arthur Greenwood's message to Poland said: "British Labour forms part of a united and resolute British Commonwealth of free nations, who with France have entered the struggle to overthrow the evil tyranny of Hitler, and to put a final end to lawless aggression, methods of violence, and use of war."

To French socialists, stressing that life without liberty and peace without justice is a mockery Mr. Greenwood said: "Our people have a passionate hatred of war. But they also possess a strong sense of duty and of the right of self-defence. The British Government represents the British people, and his staff were returning to England, twice dropped five depth charges in mid-Channel. Passengers aboard the Batavia state that the ship vibrated quite visibly as the depth charges exploded.

This Is The Cause

"This is the cause for which we will fight till victory is won."

Sending Labour's fraternal greetings to Canada, Australia and Zealand, Mr. Greenwood said: "We, like you, promptly take a stand as part of the united British Commonwealth in the grim struggle against the latest act of Nazi aggression. The common people of many lands have been hurried into a cruel conflict by Hitler in furtherance of his ambitious aims at domination and conquest."

He added that the common aims were the final end to violence in achieving national purposes, restoration of the rule of law, and liberty of the peoples.

The Maharajah proposes to donate £1,000 for the same purpose.

No Formal Declaration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

OTTAWA, Sept. 7 (UP).—It is believed that Canada might refrain from a formal declaration of war, to enable her to act as a "back door" through which American supplies could be shipped to the allies. Baron Tweedsmuir told Parliament that the militia, air force and the Navy had already been placed in active service and said that other measures would be taken for defence of the coast.

"Proposals for further active action will be taken before you without delay," he concluded.

SAVAGE SUBMARINE WARFARE ON ALLIED SHIPS AT SEA

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were also attacked, but were able to escape the submarines.

Two Ships Escape. The 3,130-ton Ellerman liner Corinthian, attacked by a U-boat, managed to reach port undamaged, as did the 4,000-ton freighter Pukastan, which was attacked by a submarine only 45 miles south-east of Land's End.

A tabulation of the known survivors of the Athenia indicates that 128 are still missing. Officials believe that there is only the slightest hope that a few of the missing have been rescued by vessels not carrying radio equipment.

Germany's Methods. Germany is by no means having everything her own way in the war at sea, and it is believed that there have already been several submarine casualties.

The Ministry of Information reveals that British destroyers escorting the 962-ton trans-Channel ferry Batavia, on which the British Ambassador, Sir Neville Henderson, and his staff were returning to England, twice dropped five depth charges in mid-Channel. Passengers aboard the Batavia state that the ship vibrated quite visibly as the depth charges exploded.

German Ship Captured

The 667-ton N.D.L. (German) steamer Inn, captured by a British warship on Tuesday, was sunk by gunfire after the crew had been removed to safety.

Germany's sea strategy is expected to be based on warfare with ocean-going submarines and armed merchant-men. This strategy differs vastly from that employed during the Great War, when Germany possessed 40 battleships and 60 cruisers. To-day she has only five battleships and eight cruisers. All her bases are inland and, as far as is known, all her surface warships are in home waters.

It is believed that approximately 65 German submarines are operating. Additionally, some merchant-men still at large may contrive to mount guns and operate as predatory destroyers of commerce.

Clipper Sues Submarines

The Yankee Clipper, en route from

Panama to the United States, reported this afternoon that she sighted two submarines five miles off the Azores.

Prominent Markings

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domel).—Bearing prominent Rising-Sun emblems painted on its hulls and on the roof of the bridge, the 10,672-ton N.Y.K. liner Suwa Maru is sailing from Yokohama on Saturday as the first Japanese ship to proceed to Europe following the outbreak of the European war. Each of the markings on the hulls is 17 feet 6 inches by 12 feet, while the emblem on the roof of the bridge is 20 feet by 16 feet.

NEWS FLASHES

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NEW YORK, Sept. 7 (UP).—The liner Manhattan arrived here to-day, carrying a record number of passengers totalling 1,573.

BERLIN, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—All British subjects over 15 years of age must report to the nearest police station within 24 hours, according to a decree issued by the Minister of the Interior, Herr Frick. The order applies to nationals of Britain, Northern Ireland, the British colonies, protectorates and mandated territories, and India.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Canadian Government has instructed the Canadian High Commissioner in London to provide financial assistance to the Canadian survivors of the Athenia tragedy. Mr. John Kennedy, second son of the American Ambassador, has arrived at Glasgow to take care of the American survivors.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—After conferring with Turkish leaders for a fortnight, the Turkish Ambassador to London has left Istanbul for England.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Discussions between the Secretary for the Colonies and the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia on the Rhodesian Nyasaland Commission have been suspended owing to the war. They will be resumed when circumstances permit.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—A Danish fishing boat was blown up in a minefield near Esbjerg, says a message from Copenhagen. All four members of the crew perished.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—United States liners arriving in Britain yesterday carried large American flags painted on the decks and on both sides of the ships. At night they fly floodlight flags and travel with all lights blazing.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—For the time being prices in Australia, have been fixed at those prevailing on August 31.

Refusal to sell at these prices renders the goods liable to seizure for sale by the Federal Government.

Naval Official Seeks Powers Understanding

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

SHANGHAI, Sept. 8 (Domel).—Rear-Admiral Kusaka, representing Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Fleet in China Waters, on Thursday Fleet in China Waters, on Thursday Fleet in China Waters, on Thursday

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7 (UP).—The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, has telephoned a vigorous personal demand to the Maritime Commission to speed up the removal of thousands of Americans who are stranded in Great Britain. Five ships are being prepared. Only two American passengers sailed from New York on the President Harding.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (British Wireless).—Sir Frederic Leith Ross, chief economic adviser to His Majesty's Government, has been appointed Director-General of the Ministry of Economic Warfare.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Sir Neville Henderson and the former Berlin Embassy staff arrived at Gravesend to-day.

BURBANK, Calif., Sept. 7 (UP).—The Japanese goodwill plane Nippon hopped off from the Union Air Terminal at 8.4 a.m. P.S.T. for Albuquerque, N.M., on her next leg of her globe-girdling tour.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—In the House of Commons, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told a questioner that the Government has no confirmation of the reports that the Germans dropped balloons filled with Yperite, or yellow cross gas, on Poland.

BERLIN, Sept. 7 (UP).—Nazi sources said they expect Hitler to return to Berchtesgaden for the week-end or early next week. It is reported that he will confer with the Italian Ambassador.

BELGRADE, Sept. 7 (UP).—The Regent-in-Council to-day proclaimed an amnesty for political prisoners. This releases almost all the Croats sentenced to imprisonment for terrorism, including the man who attempted to assassinate the former Premier M. Stojadinovich.

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domel).—The Japan Airways Company has decided to cancel its contract with the German Focke-Wulf Aircraft Company for the purchase of five 40-seater passenger planes of the Condor type. Under the original plan, the five planes were to be flown to Japan by Japanese pilots in January, next year.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Over 6,000 men and women have been detained throughout Britain as a result of a Scotland Yard round-up of persons suspected of being enemy agents.

Olympic Committee

San Francisco, Sept. 7.

The German Consul-General in San Francisco has resigned his membership of the Olympic Club. He received a telegram warning him that 155 members had threatened to resign unless he did so.—Reuter.

Old Resident Passes Away

Lady Was Born In Hongkong In 1868

THE death occurred at the St. Paul's Hospital, Causeway Bay this morning, of Mrs. R. J. White, wife of the late Mr. R. J. White of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Canton. She had been ailing for the past ten years from a nervous complaint and died after being admitted into the hospital four days ago.

The late Mrs. White was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. A. G. Allen and was born in Hongkong in the year 1868. She was one of the oldest lady residents of the Colony.

By her first husband, Mrs. Connor, she had two daughters, Mrs. Andre Yelle and Mrs. Verge Beaumont, and a son, the late Mr. Cleve Connor, who served in the last War, holding the rank of Lieutenant in the British Army. He was killed in action in 1917.

By her second husband Mr. R. J. White, she had a daughter Mrs. Sam Howard, of Thornycroft. She is a sister-in-law to Mr. Frank W. White, share and estate broker.

The funeral will take place tomorrow passing the monument at 5.30 p.m.

The late Mrs. White is survived by her daughters, and grandchildren, Verge and Virginia Beaumont, and Janet, Yvonne and Coco Yelle.

GUNBOATS ASKED TO DEPART

Japan's "Friendly Advice" To British Navy

HANKOW, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Japanese Consular authorities have forwarded a note to the British Consul-General, tendering "friendly advice."

In order to "prevent accidents" it is stated, the Japanese warships, Peterel and Scarab should leave port. The note specified that the Japanese military authorities would guarantee the safety of all Britons in Hankow. The British Consul-General in reply said the question was being referred to the proper authorities.

Two Japanese warships, later steamed up and anchored close to the two British gunboats, and another Japanese warship lay off a French gunboat.

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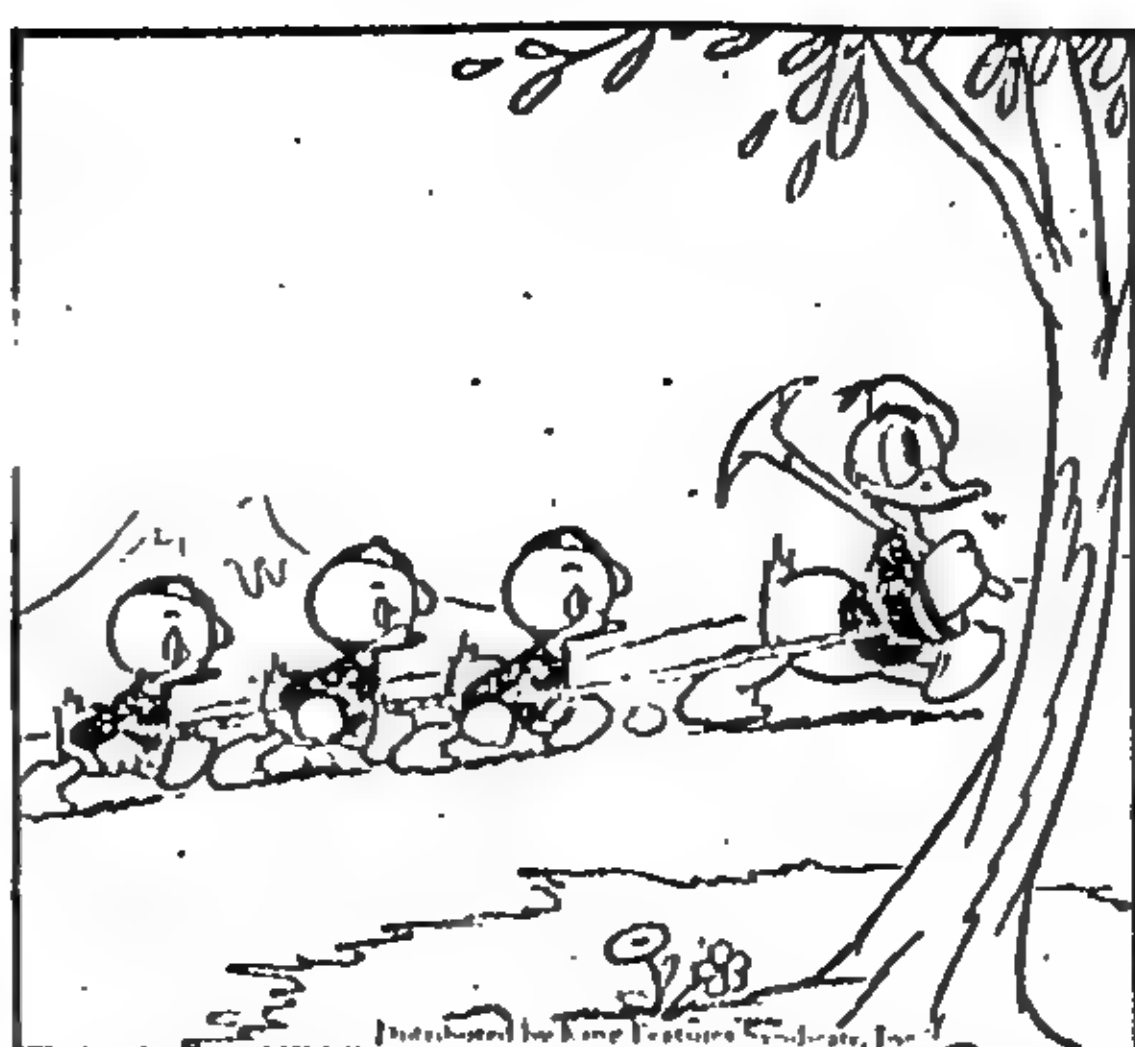
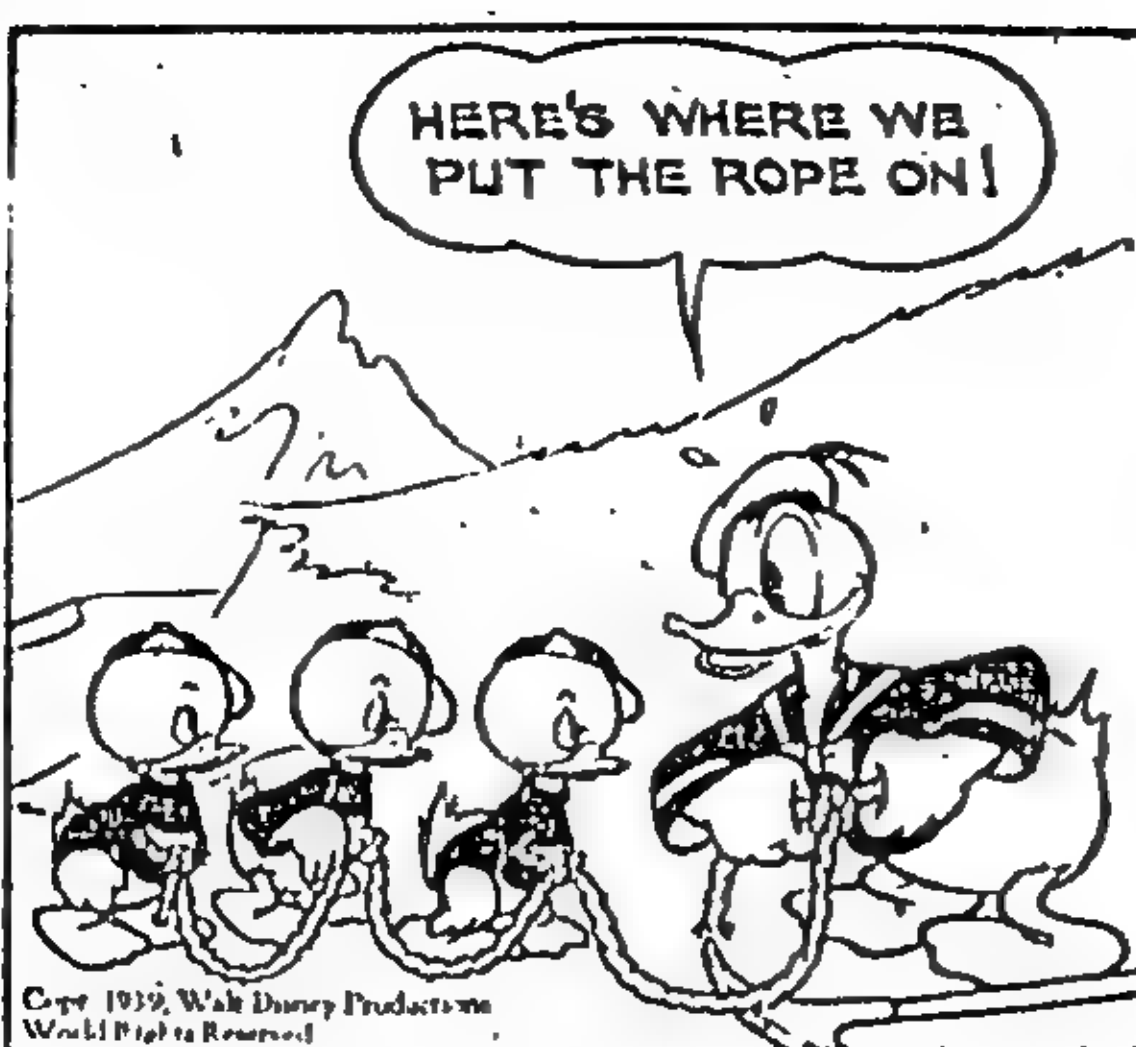
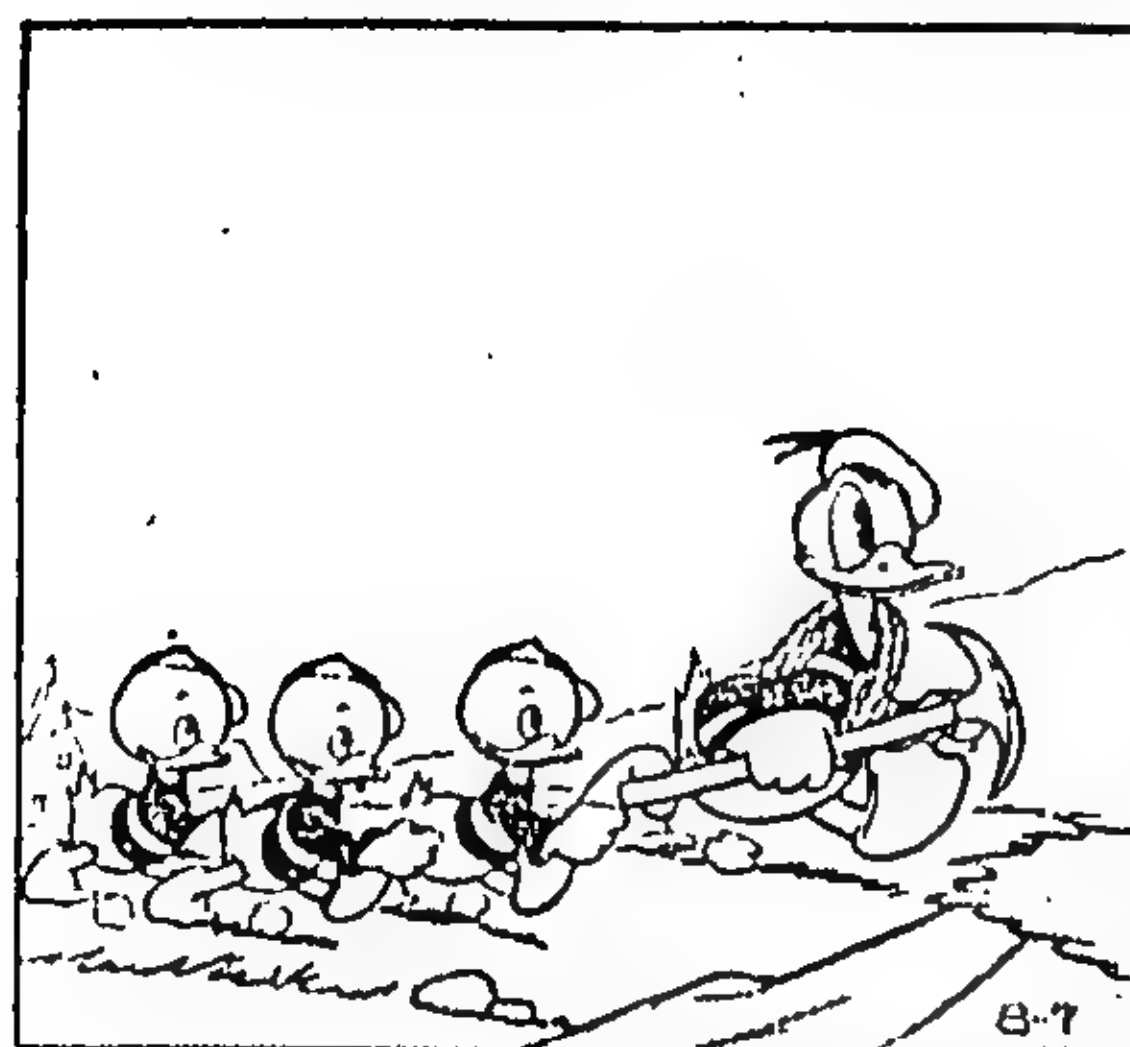
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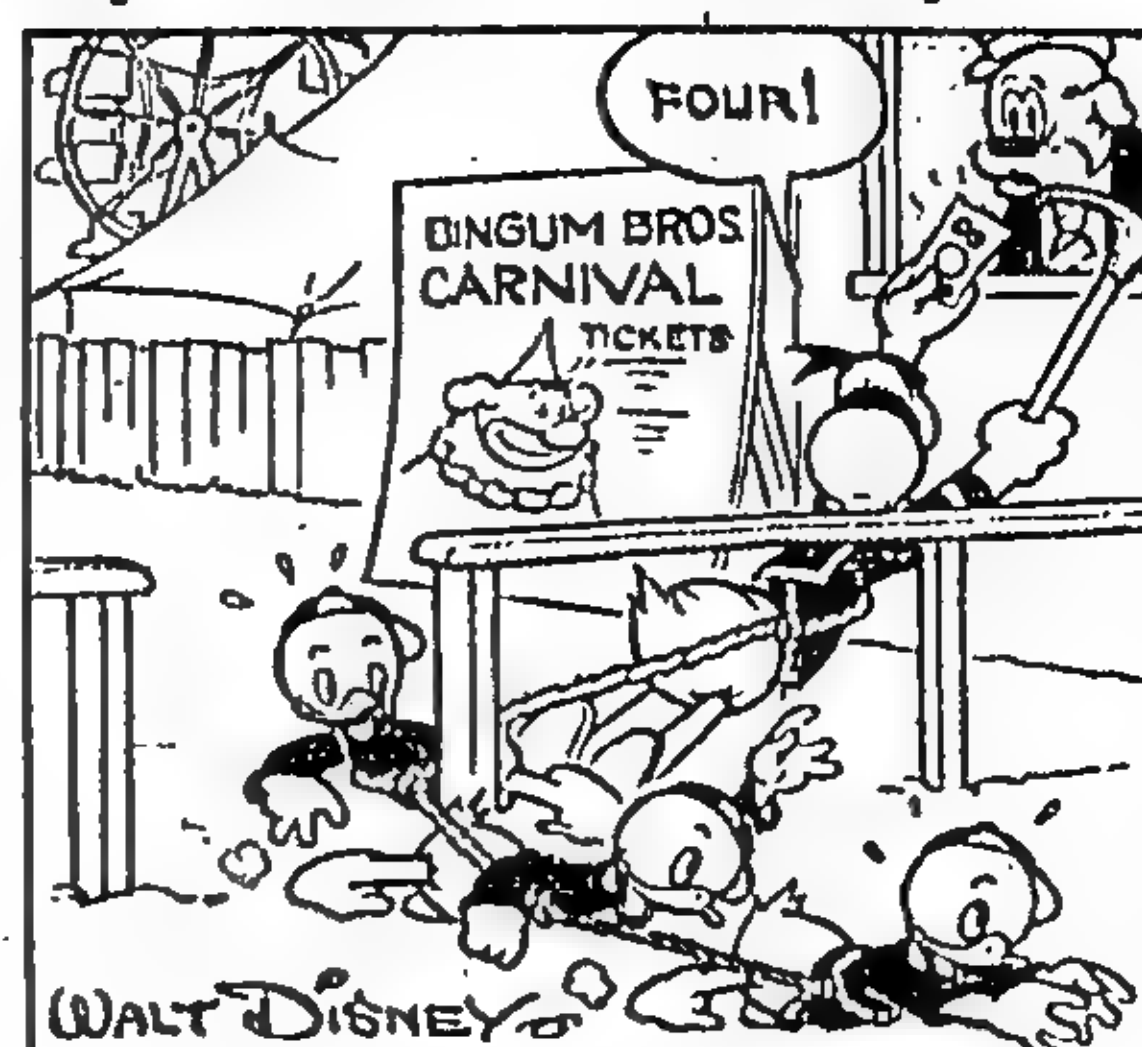
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Rome Forecast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domei).—Negotiations for the maintenance of Italy's neutrality in the European war between M. Pierre Laval, former French Premier, and Signor Mussolini are making satisfactory progress in Rome, according to information reaching here.

The report claims that at the Rome conversations, M. Laval is making the following proposals as conditions for Italy's neutrality.

Firstly, the Italian nationals in Tunis be accorded full protection and satisfactory treatment.

Secondly, maximum reductions, approximately amounting to 40 per cent, be made in the Suez Canal tolls for Italian vessels.

Thirdly, Djibouti, in French Somaliland be opened to Italy as an open port.

Fourthly, the French Government use its good offices for extending credits amounting to 20,000,000,000 francs to Italy by Berlin.

Italy's Neutrality

TOKYO, Sept. 8 (Domei).—Italy has definitely decided to remain neutral in the European war, according to the Rome correspondent of the "Asahi Shimbun".

The correspondent understands that this decision has been made in accordance with the secret provisions attached to the Italo-German Alliance.

Included in the secret provisions are: Firstly, the Danzig issue should not

The British foresee, and are prepared for, a manoeuvre by Hitler after he smashes the Polish Army whereby the Fuehrer is expected to attempt to inveigle the British and French into a quick peace at Poland's expense.

Long And Bitter War

But the British are prepared mentally and morally, and are preparing materially, for a long and bitter war.

"Nearly everyone I talk with, both military and layman, feels that the war may last several years," writes Mr. Webb Miller, General European News Manager for "United Press".

"Each day signs accumulate that Hitler's plan of campaign, which I outlined on August 23 before the war started, is so far being followed."

"Firstly, Hitler has not declared war against Britain or France; secondly, he has made no offensive move against the British and French on the western front; thirdly, a Nazi Foreign Office spokesman told correspondents: 'Germany is taking no action against the western front'; fourthly, Hitler, as far as is known, is concealing from the German people the French movements against the Siegfried Line; fifthly, the Italian inspired press is hinting that the British and French may 'listen to reason' after Poland has been smashed and suggests that Italy may then have an opportunity to mediate."

Morale Collapse

"The sole, bare hope here of a comparatively brief war is that of a collapse in German morale," continues Mr. Webb Miller.

"This is based on reports of internal dissensions and lack of enthusiasm for war, which the British are attempting to fan by leaflet raids in which about twenty million leaflets have so far been scattered in Germany."

be the cause of a war.

Secondly, in case general conditions made war necessary, it should be carried out in 1941.

At the time of the conclusion of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact, the Italian Government kept in touch with the negotiations, the correspondent claims. The Italian Government has decided to dissociate itself from the negotiations for conclusion of a German-Soviet military alliance which are at present in progress at Berlin.

Concluding, the correspondent says that it was still doubtful whether the Italian policy would be continued hereafter.

SITUATION
IN CHINAButler Tells House Of
Latest Developments

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Questioned regarding the four Chinese prisoners in Tientsin, Mr. R. A. Butler stated in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the decision of the High Court in London and the notification previously given to the Chinese and Japanese governments, the British Government had decided that the men could no longer be detained.

The Consul-General in Tientsin had been instructed accordingly to hand the men over to the local Chinese court.

Mr. G. L. M. Mander (Liberal) objected and said that the men should not be handed over while an appeal was pending.

Mr. Butler said that the High Court had decided that a writ of habeas corpus could not be issued in a foreign country.

Hongkong "Confessions"

With reference to the alleged confession of two Chinese in Hongkong, Mr. Butler said that every relevant fact had been taken into consideration.

Mr. D. N. Pritt (Labour) objected that in view of the new proceedings it was most improper to surrender the men.

Mr. Butler replied that Mr. Pritt could rest assured that where many technical and legal matters were concerned, the Government had taken the best advice obtainable and had regard for the decision of the High Court.

General Situation

Making a statement on the general position in the Far East, Mr. Butler said that hostilities had for some time been on a very restricted scale, though operations of some importance appeared to be in progress from the beginning of May on the Mongol-Manchu frontier.

In an aide memoire on September 5 to representatives of Britain, France, Germany and Poland, the Japanese Government stated its intention to concentrate efforts to settle the dispute with China.

Sir Robert Craigie's conversations with the Japanese Government were at present in suspense. The British Government made it clear that they were anxious to continue the conversation in the hope that agreement might be reached on all outstanding points.

Meanwhile, the situation in Tientsin was unchanged, except insofar as it was complicated by the floods.

TRAIN ROUTES
RE-OPENED

LONDON, Sept. 7, (Reuter).—Train services between Rome and Paris will be resumed to-day.

Train services between Switzerland and Italy have already been resumed. The Orient Express will now travel as far as Paris instead of ending the service at Milan.

The Belgium air line resumed service yesterday between Belgium and England after having suspended its schedule for a week.

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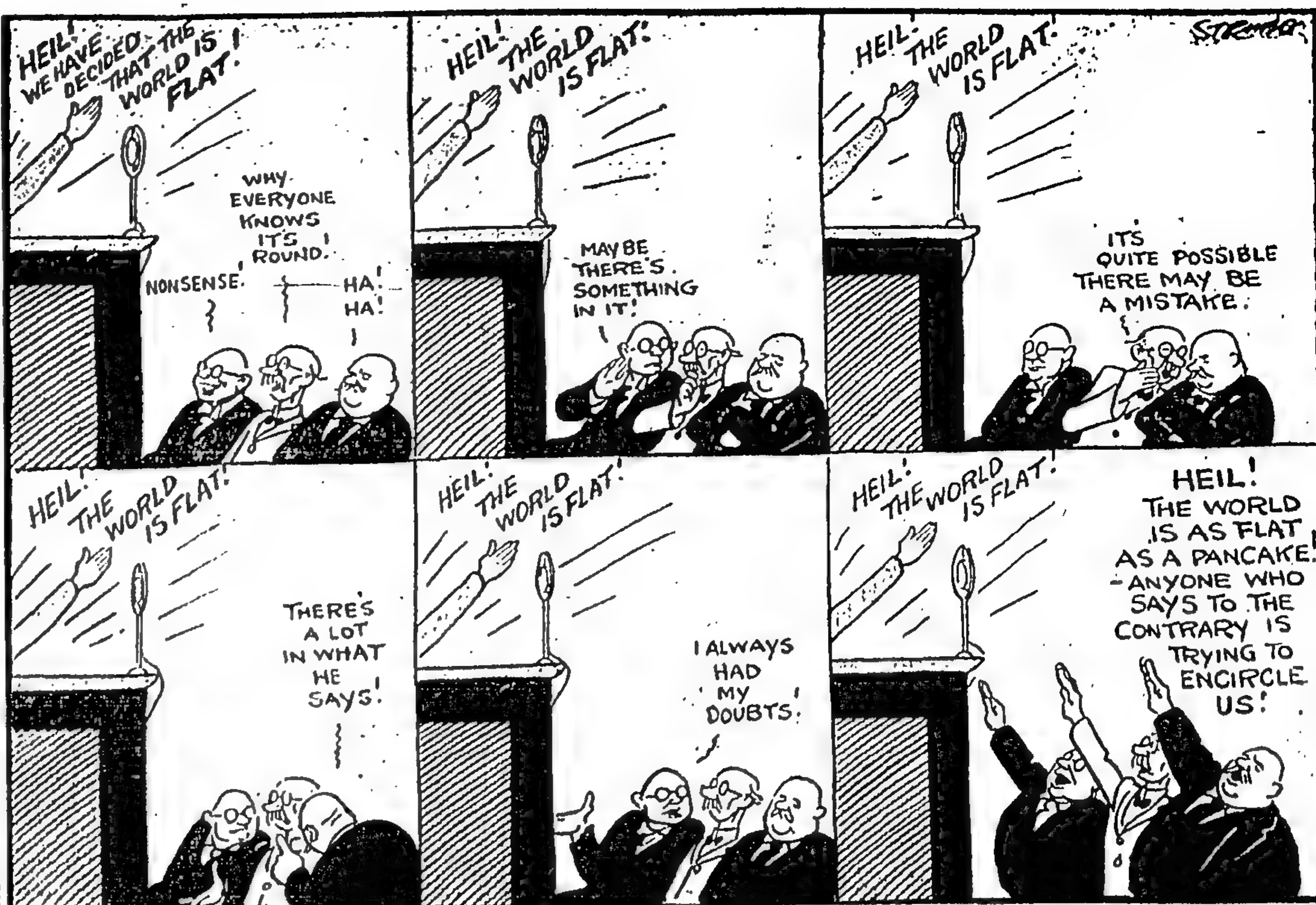
THE deplorable wastefulness of war is painfully exemplified by what has taken place in China since the beginning of this year. In the last seven or eight years hundreds of miles of motor roads were completed in Hunan and Kiangsi, linking the principal towns. It was a work of very great difficulty and labour. Thousands of bridges and culverts had to be built, and in hilly regions the track had to be hewn out of the solid rock.

This made an enormous change for the better in the social and economic life of the people. But it had other and unforeseen results. This network of roads enabled the Japanese to make rapid advance on towns evacuated by Chinese troops and civilians.

To prevent this the Chinese have resolved to destroy utterly what they had accomplished at such cost.

A correspondent of the *Times* tells how thoroughly this act of sacrifice has been carried out. He says that these roads, covering an area the size of England and Wales, have been entirely destroyed. Thousands of men are working to make rebuilding impossible. Every bridge and culvert has been torn down or blown up. Deep and wide trenches have been dug at intervals of a hundred yards. Even the old paths through the rice fields and over the mountain passes have been obliterated. On low-lying land the way has been ploughed and flooded, and is already planted with rice. It would be the work of a few hours to break up the narrow tracks that remain and leave the whole countryside a series of flooded valleys knee-deep in mud.

Much has been told in history of the heroism of hard-pressed nations flooding their country to impede the advance of invaders. But surely nothing on so extensive a scale as this in China. It tells more than many battles of the determination of the Chinese people to preserve their integrity and freedom at any cost.



IMPROPAGANDA

—Strube in the "Daily Express".

Soldier Statesman

The Man who brought South Africa
Into the War Yesterday

IF a world federation of States could be brought into existence to-morrow, there are a good many people who would vote for General Smuts as the best possible president.

He has that balance of gifts that helps to ensure both sanity and order. He combines moral idealism with hard practical sense. He is a fearless fighter, with a genius for compromise at the auspicious moment. He is a believer in liberty and a disciplinarian. And he has a versatile brain that seems capable of mastering any problem to which it applies itself.

I doubt, however, whether the mass of Englishmen have more than a vague knowledge of the personality and career of this extraordinary man. To most of them the facts related in Mrs. Sarah Gertrude Millin's biography, "General Smuts," published recently, will have the exciting freshness of news.

Comparatively few people even know that the Smuts who was afterwards to fight for the Boers against the British was born a British subject in the Cape of Good Hope. A feeble child, he was not expected to live long, and did not learn to read or write till he was 12 years old. He remained "pale and weedy" till he became a soldier in the war, but, to compensate for this, he possessed "terrific" energy, which was manifest even in his school days.

This was shown in the last week of his last term at school when, knowing no Greek, he had to learn enough Greek to pass his matriculation. "On Monday he took up his Greek grammar. . . . He read it violently for six days and then he knew it by heart, the whole book—declensions, conjugations, irregular verbs and all." As a result of this and similar exploits, he came out first in the examination.

He showed the same spirit of

determination in pushing himself through Cambridge with the aid of a scholarship and borrowed money. He intended to become a lawyer, and, with this object in view, he was scarcely even tempted by pleasure.

To the present day, he does not smoke or drink or play cards. He has always disliked dancing, and games, and "girls as girls." He cares nothing for pictures or music. He does not mind how he eats or lives. "He likes to be uncomfortable."

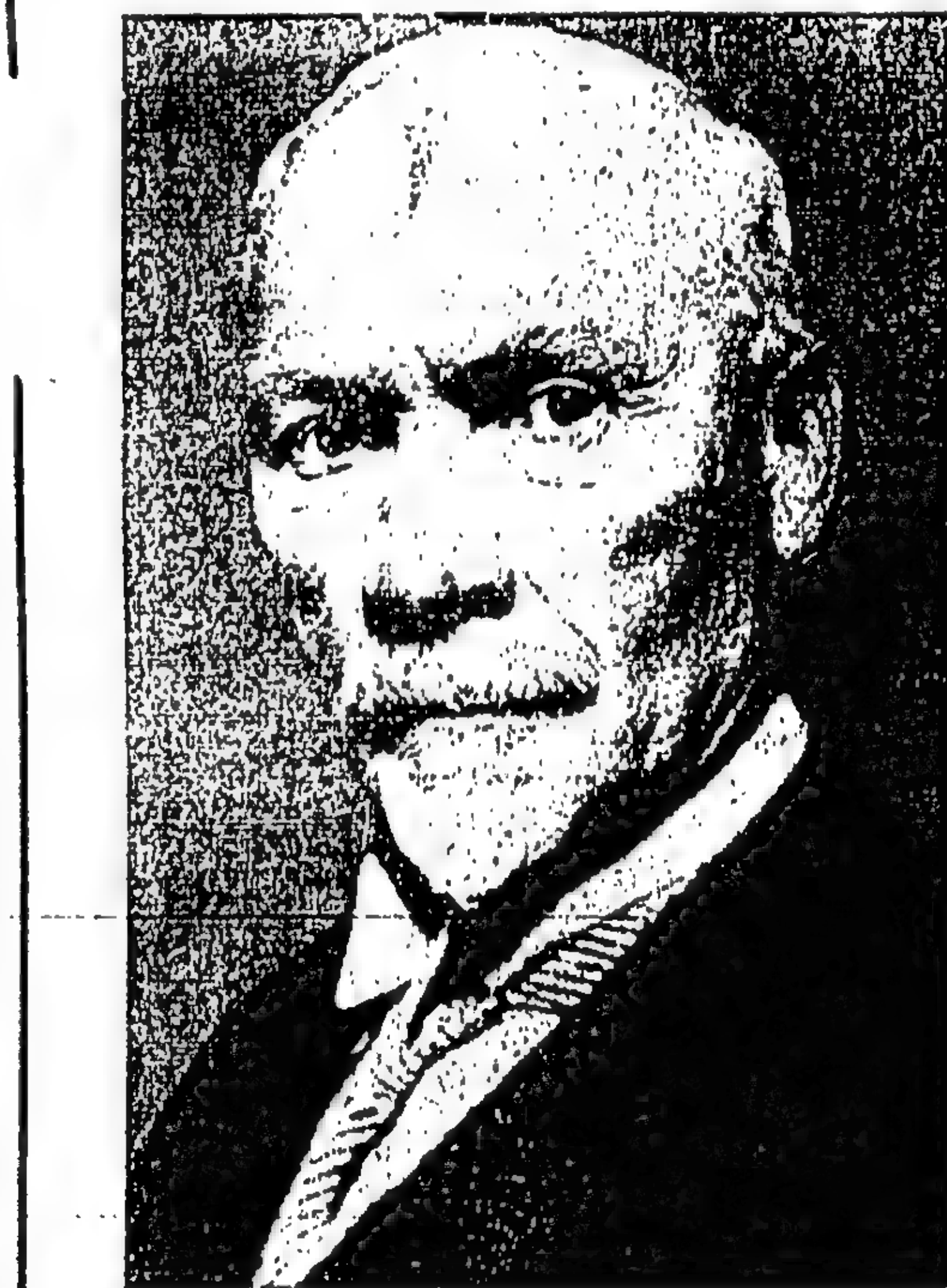
At the same time, his asceticism was never that of a man bent at all costs upon worldly success. He loved books—especially poetry, such as that of Whitman, which seemed to give life a meaning and purpose.

While at Cambridge, indeed, he wrote a book on Whitman which was rejected—with compliments—by George Meredith, then "reading" for Chapman and Hall.

Returning to South Africa, he was drawn to Cecil Rhodes as a worker for unity between the Dutch and the English. Shocked by the Jameson Raid, however, he joined the Transvaal Bar and became State Attorney under Kruger. Even so, he did all in his power to prevent war between the Dutch and the English. When compromise proved impossible, he entered on a new career and ultimately became a leader in guerrilla warfare comparable in some respects with Lawrence of Arabia.

That was the period of his life, he declares, in which he took the greatest "boyish" satisfaction. He found that he had "no bodily fear." He was temporarily indifferent to death and wounds, not only for himself but for others. "The men who were affected by the dead and wounded," he said afterwards, "were the neurotics."

Mrs. Millin gives us an unforgettable picture of this talented General, invading Cape Colony with his tiny forces, eluding the army of a great Empire—a soldier at once on the offensive and on the run, carrying a Greek Testament



and Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" in his saddle-bag.

The present volume of Mrs. Millin's biography brings the story of General Smuts down only to the day in 1917 on which Mr. Lloyd George invited him to join the War Cabinet. But by that time he had already proved himself the great fighter and the great peacemaker that the world knows.

He had helped to make peace with the English at the right moment, and to preserve that peace by persuading the Liberal Cabinet to restore freedom to South Africa. He had faced rebellion and revolution at home indifferent alike to calumny and danger. And his wisdom was as remarkable as his courage. Speaking of the rebellion of 1914 he said: "Was not the rebellion of 1914 quite understandable? We understood it and treated the rebels with leniency."

General Smuts, however, would modestly disclaim any praise of himself as an ideal leader during those years and the years in which he fought the Germans in East Africa. He had "hungry, angry eyes," Mrs. Millin declares, till, at the age

of 50, he came to Paris during the peace negotiations. General Smuts would agree with her:

"The misery after the Boer War was nothing to it," he says. "It was a break in one's own life, but not in the whole world. Paris showed me the crack in life itself. It changed me. I am a softer man than I used to be. Whether for better or for worse, I don't know. I was hard as a young man—hard and confident and successful."

It is the softer, more human post-war Smuts that a large part of the civilised world has come to trust and honour—the patriot who believes that "civilisation is one body, and we are all members one of another." It is true that Mrs. Millin, in her brilliant and scrupulously faithful narrative, claims that he was always "a natural negotiator, a believer in conference." But it is only since the War that General Smuts has had an opportunity of applying his genius in this sphere to problems on the solution of which depend the safety and happiness of mankind. And to-day, when he addresses the world, it is as one of the wisest and most magnanimous of its fallible inhabitants.

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Germany Responds To French Saarland Threat HEAVY REINFORCEMENTS SENT TO WESTERN FRONT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—Heavy German reinforcements are now apparently being rushed up to the threatened Saar region.

Communique No. 8, issued at 9.12 p.m. (4.12 a.m. H.K.T.) states that the German lines have been reinforced on the front between the Rhine and the Moselle Rivers.

BROUGHT UP FROM INTERIOR

The communique adds: "The arrival of new forces from the interior of Germany has been signalled to our forces."

Heavy reinforcements have been seen arriving along the entire line of the Moselle front.

The Moselle, which runs through Alsace-Lorraine, the two French provinces wrested from Germany in 1918, enters Germany at Luxemburg's southernmost frontier.

According to yesterday's reports, fighting is heaviest in the Saar region, with Saarbrücken, the capital, apparently the French objective.

HUNTING THE U-BOATS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—A British communique states that there are no major naval operations to report.

Attacks on German submarines continue. At least in one case success appears probable.

German submarine attacks on shipping are taking place in various localities. The losses reported are the steamers Bosnia and Royal Sceptre. The Corinthian was attacked but escaped undamaged and has reached port. It is reported that 26 German merchantmen, totalling 119,000 tons, have taken refuge in Vigo.

Cracow Captured

Berlin, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—General von Brauchitsch, the German Commander-in-Chief, has proclaimed the capture of Cracow.

The proclamation states that Bromberg and Graudenz have been taken and the Corridor no longer separates East Prussia and Danzig from Germany.

Polish Troops Bombed

WARSAW, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The Polish general staff, in a communique, says that German aeroplanes are bombing Polish troops.

There were several raids on Warsaw. Fifteen German planes were brought down yesterday and 20 to-day.

The Poles lost six planes. Fighting is proceeding at Lodz, Piotrkow, Tomaszow to the west of Tarnobrzeg, in the north of Torun, Sierp and Clonow, where the enemy have been held.

More Men Called Up

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—At noon to-day, the Agency Radio at Zurich reported a dispatch from the "Basler Nachrichten" at Bâle, saying that the Poles have mobilized six additional classes of officers and non-commissioned officers, regardless of age.

The Poles have announced the formation of two Czechoslovak Legions.

The newspaper also reports that women and children hurried hand grenades at the German forces at Ruytich in southern Poznan.

The press published a dispatch appearing in the Zurich "Neue Zürcher Zeitung" reporting from Berlin: "Western German frontier cities have been or are being evacuated."

"Evacuation of the French from frontier towns is believed to be completed."

Hitler Bans Reports

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—From Brussels comes the news that the German papers are not printing anything about the fighting on the Western Front.

They carry jubilant reports, however, of the progress made in Poland.

French Enthusiasm

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—Paris and Lille experienced another 30 minutes air raid alarm this morning. No bombs were dropped.

The news of the British and French military activities and the arrival of the British Expeditionary Forces, together with the French penetration into the Saar basin, has brought great public enthusiasm in the French capital.

The propaganda Minister, M. Jean Giraudoux, to-day said: "Thanks to conscription, Britain will be able to give us millions of men little by little. Many British air squadrons are to-day in our provinces on duty with our own."

The official war communique to-day reported marked activity "on both sides of the front."

Warsaw Evacuation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WARSAW, Sept. 7 (UP).—Every one who is able to borrow or beg a conveyance is abandoning the Polish capital as the rumble of distant German artillery fire becomes louder.

The imminence of an invasion is so real that people are inclined to talk in whispers. The Government has moved to Lublin, 100 miles south-east. The Embassies are closed.

Protest To Japanese

Puppet Banknotes In Shanghai Area

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—It has been learned that Great Britain has protested to the Japanese Government through the British Ambassador in Tokyo against the use of Japanese-sponsored banknotes in Shanghai.

Diplomats here expect a parallel protest to be made by the United States and France.

The increasing introduction of the so-called Hua Hsing dollars is regarded as a Japanese attempt to control Shanghai's import and export trade.

The British protest is understood to be designed to safeguard the Shanghai Customs Administration.

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STOCK EXCHANGE RESUMES

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DAVENTRY NEWS BROADCASTS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—At the beginning of Daventry's first news broadcast in Polish, the Polish Ambassador to London conveyed to the people of Poland a message from Mr. Chamberlain.

The message said that Great Britain and France had entered the war determined to fight with all their power the forces of aggression against Poland.

The statement concluded: "They are strengthened in the knowledge that they are fighting for things which are greater than the interests of any one country—for the honour, justice and freedom of the world."

MEXICO WARNS NAZI SHIPS

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Mexico has warned the nine German steamers which have taken refuge in her ports that use of their wireless transmitting sets would be a violation of Mexican neutrality.

The Government has sealed up all the wireless operators' cabins and has warned the crews that severe penalties will be inflicted on anyone breaking the order.



Some of the teeth of Germany's Siegfried Line in Saarland. Anti-tank barricades stretching along the Franco-German frontier from Switzerland to Aachen, and which French artillery is now pounding vigorously.

Mr. Chamberlain Reviews the War Premier's Praise For The Royal Air Force

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—Continuing his statement in the House of Commons, outlining the progress of the war to date, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, declared:

"Apart from the case of the Athenia, there have been attacks on other British merchant ships by German U-Boats, and three or four ships have been sunk."

"On our side the Admiralty has taken immediate counter-measures. British destroyers and anti-submarine craft have been very active and large reinforcements of anti-submarine and escort vessels are rapidly becoming available."

Convoy System

"As Mr. Winston Churchill has already informed the House, steps are being taken to establish the convoy system at the earliest possible moment."

"This method of protection can obviously be only initiated after the outbreak of war. It takes time to bring it fully into operation, but the House can be satisfied that it is being applied with the utmost possible speed and vigour."

"Most of the ships which have been attacked hitherto are vessels which commenced their voyages before war had broken out, and naturally, for the time being, the full scope of our defensive organisation could not be immediately provided."

Navy On Top

"While a certain proportion of vessels may be expected, but we must not minimise the threat to our shipping, I think the House and the country may rest assured that the navy, with all their war-time experience in handling this problem, and with the added advantage of the methods of submarine detection and destruction which have since been developed, will increasingly bring the problem under control."

"The Government would like to pay tribute to the very gallant attack made by units of the R.A.F. on certain German warships off Wilhelmshaven (cheers) during which at least two hits were scored on one of the so-called 'pocket' battleships."

"It has to be realised that the objectives attacked, namely the German fleet bases at Wilhelmshaven and at the entrance of the Kiel Canal, are probably the most strongly defended points in Germany, and the manner in which the R.A.F. attacks were pressed home despite the strength of the defences was worthy of highest praise."

"Mention must be made of the weather conditions prevailing during the afternoon of the attack."

"Attack in Rainstorm"

"Visibility was extremely poor and the final stages of the attack are stated to have been carried out in a blinding rainstorm."

"A high degree of navigational skill was thus necessary to enable the attack to reach its objectives at all, and the fact that hits were registered demonstrates the ability of the R.A.F. to carry out its attacks under conditions of great difficulty."

"Finally I must stress the fact that a high proportion of the officers and men in the squadrons concerned have entered and received their training since the expansion began. The House may also be interested to know that those who took part in the attack included a number who were from the dominions."

"Leaflets Over Germany"

"As the House knows, extensive reconnaissance flights have been carried out over Germany on three successive nights during the last week by units of the bomber command."

"More than 10,000,000 copies of notes to the German people have been distributed over a wide area in northern and western Germany, including the Ruhr. Although on each occasion the enemy defence was set fully in motion, no contact was secured by the enemy fighters, and all our aircraft returned safely."

"The activity of the fighter and coastal command, if less conspicuous, has been no less intense. From the early stages of the emergency, all squadrons of the fighters command have been at their war stations, and in a state of instant readiness. The coastal commands have also been engaged in extensive reconnaissance over surrounding areas in order to locate and destroy enemy submarines."



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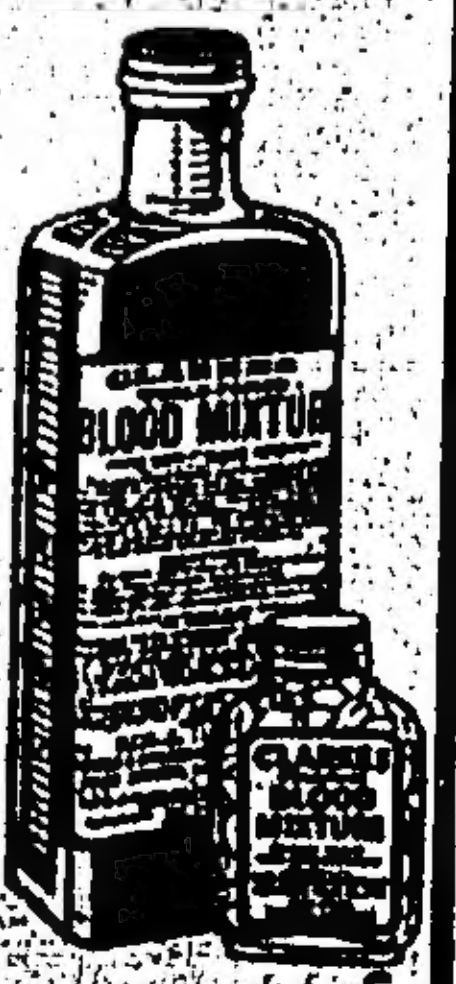
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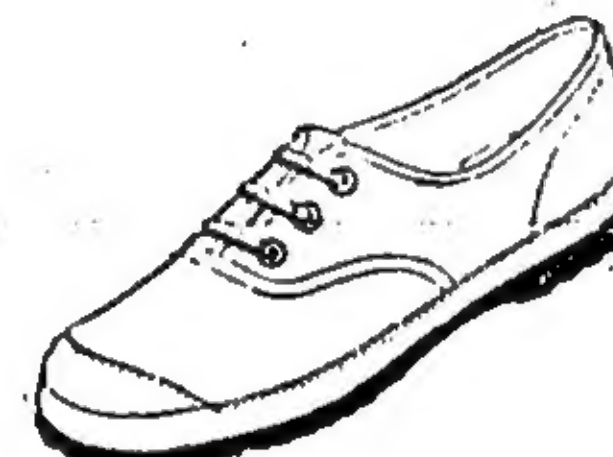
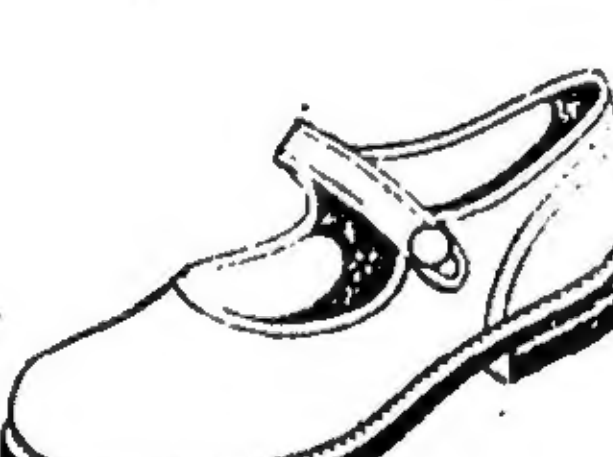


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LAST BATCH OF AUSTRALIAN PONIES BEST OF ALL CONSIGNMENTS

Increased Cost Of \$100 Each To Owners Appears Justified

(By "Captain Foster")

At the Hongkong Jockey Club stables last week the drawing of the Australian subscription ponies to be raced in 1940 was held before a large crowd of owners and followers of the turf, the numbers from the drum being picked out by Lady MacGregor and Mrs. A. E. Grasett.

A list of the draw is appended below:

Pony No.	Owner	Colour	Sire
1	Monestey	Brown M.	Caravis
2	Neerlandia	Brown	Clisterian
3	L. C. L.	Ches.	Graculus
4	Marber 1	Ches. M.	Stare
5	Mrs. Pearce	Bay	Carina Younger
6	Dr. Lee Shiu-kee	Bay M.	Little Toy
7	H. Y. Liang	Bay M.	Canterbury King
8	Fu Tong-sen	Bay M.	Lynneberg
9	Li and Edgum	Ches. M.	Powers Court
10	Gredka	Bay M.	Brewan
11	Vilja	Bay M.	Sum King
12	Crystal	Brown M.	Kingspear
13	Ellandee	Ches. M.	Double Court
14	Winner	Ches.	Dinarth Jim
15	Lau	Bay M.	Barleyspear
16	H. W.	Bay M.	Graculus
17	C. W. K.	Bay	Chocolate
18	L. Reilly	Bay	Double Court
19	Wayfoong	Ches. M.	Sum King
20	G. Tinson	Brown M.	Polycaste
21	Chau Bros.	Bay M.	Wedge
22	O. K.	Bay M.	Midnight Frolic
23	Kwong Hing-wang	Ches. M.	Monash Valley
24	J. F. Macgregor	Ches. M.	Hebrus
25	Dynasty	Ches. M.	Monash Valley
26	Quartermaster	Ches. M.	Grand Alliance
27	Li Bros.	Bay M.	Spearhead
28	Huo	Bay	Modest Morn
29	John Peel	Bay	Tresco
30	D. L.	Brown M.	Black Adder
31	Andrew Johnstone	Ches. M.	Check
32	S. W. Chan	Brown	Sum King
33	Weetoo	Bay M.	Brewan
34	H. Y. Chuong	Bay	Caravis
35	Mrs. Fu Tong-sen	Bay	Caravis
36	Choice	Brown M.	Caravis
37	Marber	Ches.	Caravis
38	Y. L. Y.	Bay	Caravis
39	Mr. and Mrs. Stanton	Bay M.	Chrysolaeus
40	Tennis	Bay M.	Caravis
41	S. L. K.	Ches. M.	Prince Claro
42	L. W. S.	Ches. M.	Philensis
43	Diamonds	Ches. M.	Third King
44	Li Po-chun	Bay	Magnesia
45	Yun Man	Bay	Excitement
46	Lucky	Ches. M.	Barleyspear
47	S. T. Williamson	Bay M.	Lorain
48	Mrs. H. Y. Chuong	Brown M.	Civilian
49	Dr. S. N. Chau	Brown M.	Civilian
50	Asa	Brown M.	Magnesia
51	Y. H.	Bay M.	Seabound
52	Li Shiu-hang	Ches.	Pacot
53	Shields and Stanton	Ches.	Farce
54	Mrs. A. E. Grasett	Ches. M.	George Graves
55	E. S. K.	Ches. M.	Double Court
56	S. W. Lee	Brown	Graculus
57	Lee Bu	Ches. M.	Double Court
58	L. Dunbar	Bay M.	Comanche
59	S. M. K.	Bay M.	Balmierino
60	J. H. Jensen	Ches. M.	
61	Cucca		

THREE REJECTED
It has always been the custom for the suppliers to ship along a few extra cobs and it may be of interest to know that only three out of the consignment of 64 ponies of the Hongkong Jockey Club were rejected by the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club. It was the big-boned batch of Australian ponies imported since its introduction; in fact three times more than the first trial consignment of 20 animals landed here for the 1931 Annual Carnival. It will be recalled the order to sixty limited this year's order to sixty ponies, but the actual amount subscribed for by the members was just one over 80.

At one time some Chinese owners were not in favour of these animals from the Antipodes owing to the difficulty of breaking them. There was also some prejudice in another section that the ponies could not stand much racing. To cut the long story short, the tide has now turned in favour of the Australian ponies and they certainly show a list showing the number of subscription griffins imported since 1931:

Year	Number of ponies drawn
1931	20
1932	22
1933	24
1934	26
1935	28
1936	30
1937	32
1938	34
1939	36
1940	38

INCREASED NUMBER
Rooty-Hill Derby was first run in 1932, but if the classic event had been introduced a year earlier, Woodland Stag would have annexed the Blue Riband without any opposition. However, the above list shows that the importation of Australian ponies was quite steady from 1930 to 1938 averaging 40 odd per year, but the barometer suddenly jumped up to 55 ponies this season and it looks that there is not much of a chance for the security to be much higher than 60 on account of the limitation by the Stewards. Owing to the size of our race track I am of the opinion that 60 ponies are beyond the limit and I shall not be surprised to see that the Sydney Maiden Slakes being divided into three sections.

This bunch of ponies, which will be seen in action at the 1940 Annual Meeting, has cost each owner an additional \$100 and the advance over last season's price was for an improved type of animals. The increase was certainly justified. In fact the consignment was far above

those of previous seasons, and there are 45 mares against 16 geldings. In perusing the list of sires I was glad to find that the chestnut pony No. 55, drawn by Messrs. Shields and Stanton, was by Pacot, who is the father of Strathroy. A full history of Mr. J. F. Macgregor's charger is not necessary here, but his pony collected to date \$12,350. The joint drawers of No. 55 should be pleased with their make.

LIKELY ONES
There are five offsprings by Double Court and all are mares (four chestnuts and a bay). No. 13 was drawn by Ellandee, No. 19 by the Wayfoong, No. 50 by S. W. Lee, No. 61 by L. Dunbar and No. 62 bay mare by S. M. K. They are lovely animals, the youngest being No. 61, Double Finesse, who was drawn by Mr. L. Dunbar.

Double Court is well known among the racing fraternity, for all his offsprings have performed exceptionally well at Happy Valley, and the best four were Derby Day (won \$5,750), Centre Court (\$4,600), Double Finesse (\$5,000) and Courting Eve (\$4,883). In 1935 St. Kitts did not face the start, but in 1937 Such Fun collected \$300 and Bravado made \$150. The last two were geldings and therefore all the big wins were by the mares. I am sure the five new mares will be prominent at the big meeting.

The sire of Cocklerol (\$1,650) is Brewan, who sired No. 10 bay mare drawn by Gredka and No. 34 bay mare owned by H. Y. Chuong. No. 20, belonging to John Peel was Modest Morn, who sired victory Day (\$1,650) and the form book shows that the pony was very good over short distances.

By Tresco, Little Vic (1934) was a bad lady for unseating Chinese riding boys and jockeys, but her sister, Southern Cross (1935) annexed a couple of races, closing the season with a credit of \$1,200. The stable (D.L.) has drawn pony No. 30 by Tresco and the young brown mare is not a bad mover. Mrs. Pearce has drawn a bay gelding No. 5 by Carina Younger who was the sire of Buck and Gamma of the 1934 class and Canberra Girl of the 1936 lot. The latter started twice, but the other two never came under the stars' orders.

UNSUCCESSFUL SIRES
There are a few more sires known to the racing fans, but the offsprings were never in the limelight. Fairy (1935) by Graculus, Mount Pilatus (1935) by Black Adder and Broadway Bill (1936) by Seabound were fired without being able to earn a



M. W. MacGrath
Hongkong's loss is Bermuda's gain.

RUGGERITE LEAVING COLONY

M. W. MacGrath Goes To Bermuda

Local rugby circles will regret to learn that M. W. MacGrath, the Club full-back, has been transferred to Bermuda and will be leaving the Colony by the President Pierce tomorrow.

Since he came to Hongkong from Singapore two years ago, MacGrath has been turning out regularly for the Hongkong F.C. 1st XV, first as a three-quarter and later as full back. A most versatile player, he has also filled the fly-half position when the occasion arose.

During his two-year stay in Hongkong, MacGrath has held the post of Assistant Tournament Supply Officer at H. M. Dockyard. A cable arrived a few days ago notifying him of his transfer to Bermuda.

INDIAN CRICKET "FIND"

Claims Of Fast Bowler

Yet another candidate for All-India cricket honours is about to leave for India—Devraj Puri, the Punjab fast bowler, who has spent the past three years in England. He is a son of Mr. B. R. Puri, a widely known Lahore barrister.

Puri came into prominence in India as fast bowler when he was at Government College, Lahore, and captained the Punjab University XI in the winter of 1935-36. Even prior to that date, however, he had played against the M.C.C. during their 1934-35 tour of India. When the late Maharaja of Patiala brought an Australian XI to India in 1935-36, Puri appeared against Ryder and his men with moderate success in two matches, including one of the unofficial Tests.

Arriving in England in the following summer, Puri quickly jumped into prominence in London club cricket circles as a member of the strongest side ever fielded by the Indian Gymkhana. His possibilities were clearly foreseen, and he had the good sense to correct a faulty and prodigiously long run to the wicket. Cutting it down to 12 or 14 paces, and curing himself of a midway interruption which used to detract from his speed, Puri succeeded in maintaining his great pace (which definitely admitted him into the category of "fast bowler") and in increasing his accuracy.

cent to pay for their hay and corn. True Blue, Hellum and Schmetteling were sired by Polycaste and the last named pony managed to collect only \$100. It is, however, hoped that the 1940 new lot of maiden mares and geldings by the above sires will turn out to be good 'uns. Caravis, who is a sire unknown to us, is well represented by ponies Nos. 1, 35, 37, 38 and 42 and they are nice bunch. Pony No. 23 by Midnight Frolic is a good trotter and when she puts on a few pounds more of flesh and fat, the mare will be another animal. Personally I like Nos. 30 and 50, both sired by Lorain and the two brown mares have the making of first class racers. All the ponies are at present lacking in substance and strength and in the circumstance it is pretty hard to say who has the best flower of the flock.

It is interesting to relate that there is not a single progeny in 1940's by a single sire. The only sire by Tom McCarthy, who sired Lucky Lad, Chiltern and Candlelight.

VISIT OF INDO-CHINA SOCCER XI POSTPONED

(By "Abe")

Hongkong football enthusiasts may not be able to have the pleasure of seeing the combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team in action after all. The team, which was due to arrive in the Colony yesterday, did not do so.

Only the manager of the team, Mr. Sammy Tsang, arrived by the 8.30 Canton and he explained to officials of the Eastern Athletic Association, sponsors of the visit, that the present international situation had caused some doubts in Indo-China as to the advisability of sending a team to the Colony at the moment.

He has been sent here by the Indo-China soccer authorities to discuss matters with the Eastern officials. Up to now it is not yet decided whether to call off the whole visit or merely postpone it. An official of the Eastern Athletic Association told me this morning that a cable had already been sent to Indo-China, and pending a reply he could not say definitely one way or the other.

MAY COME NEXT WEEK
But the Eastern A.A. are trying to persuade Indo-China to send a team here next week. Mr. Sammy Tsang is the former Eastern goal-keeper; he is now working in Indo-China. He played in several representative matches while in Hongkong, a couple of seasons ago and is partly responsible for arranging the tour.

Three matches had been arranged for the visiting team in the Colony, first against Eastern, second against the Chinese Federation and the third against the Rest of the Colony.

Sanchez, Ampon Will Play U.S. Davis Cup Stars

NEW YORK, Aug. 31. (UP).—The Philippines Davis Cup players will have to meet the United States cup stars as their first opponents in the national singles tennis championships opening at Forest Hills, Long Island, Sept. 7. Bobby Jiggs, mainstay of the American Davis Cup squad, will meet Felicissimo Ampon of the Philippines in the second round. Both drew first-round byes. Frankie Parker will meet Amos Sanchez in the first round.

Hockey A Successful Year For Association

A generally satisfactory year and an improved financial position were reported when the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association was held in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday.

Mr. A. A. Dand was re-elected President. In his absence last night Mr. G. E. R. Divett presided. The Annual Report recorded that, because of the nature of the duties of the naval representative, the Council had decided to allow the attendance of substitutes for naval representatives only. Lt. Gunner had been appointed to the place of Lt. Carver, who had resigned his position as naval representative because of his departure from the Colony. Lt. Douglas, Army Vice-President, had also resigned; Lt. W. Hook had filled the vacancy.

The Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson, had left the Colony for good, and Mr. D. T. Smith, and Commander Milner-Barry, R.N., and Mr. J. G. E. R. Divett, A. E. P. Guest, J. Gonsalves, and Mr. L. Tyler. The Army and Navy players have to elect their own representatives.

The Report, which was unanimously adopted, closed with thanks to people, organisations, and clubs for help they had given in placing equipment, grounds, and furniture at the disposal of the Association. The financial statement disclosed an excess of income over expenditure of \$31.87, which was appropriated as follows:—Reserve against bad and doubtful debts account, \$5; interport fund account, \$23.51; carried forward, \$3.60.

Election of Officers
The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted: President, Mr. A. A. Dand; Vice-Presidents, Lt. G. W. Hook, R.A., Rev. J. R. Higgs, and Commander Milner-Barry, R.N.; Honorary Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Xavier; Civilian Council representatives, Messrs. G. E. R. Divett, A. E. P. Guest, J. Gonsalves, and Mr. L. Tyler. The Army and Navy players have to elect their own representatives.

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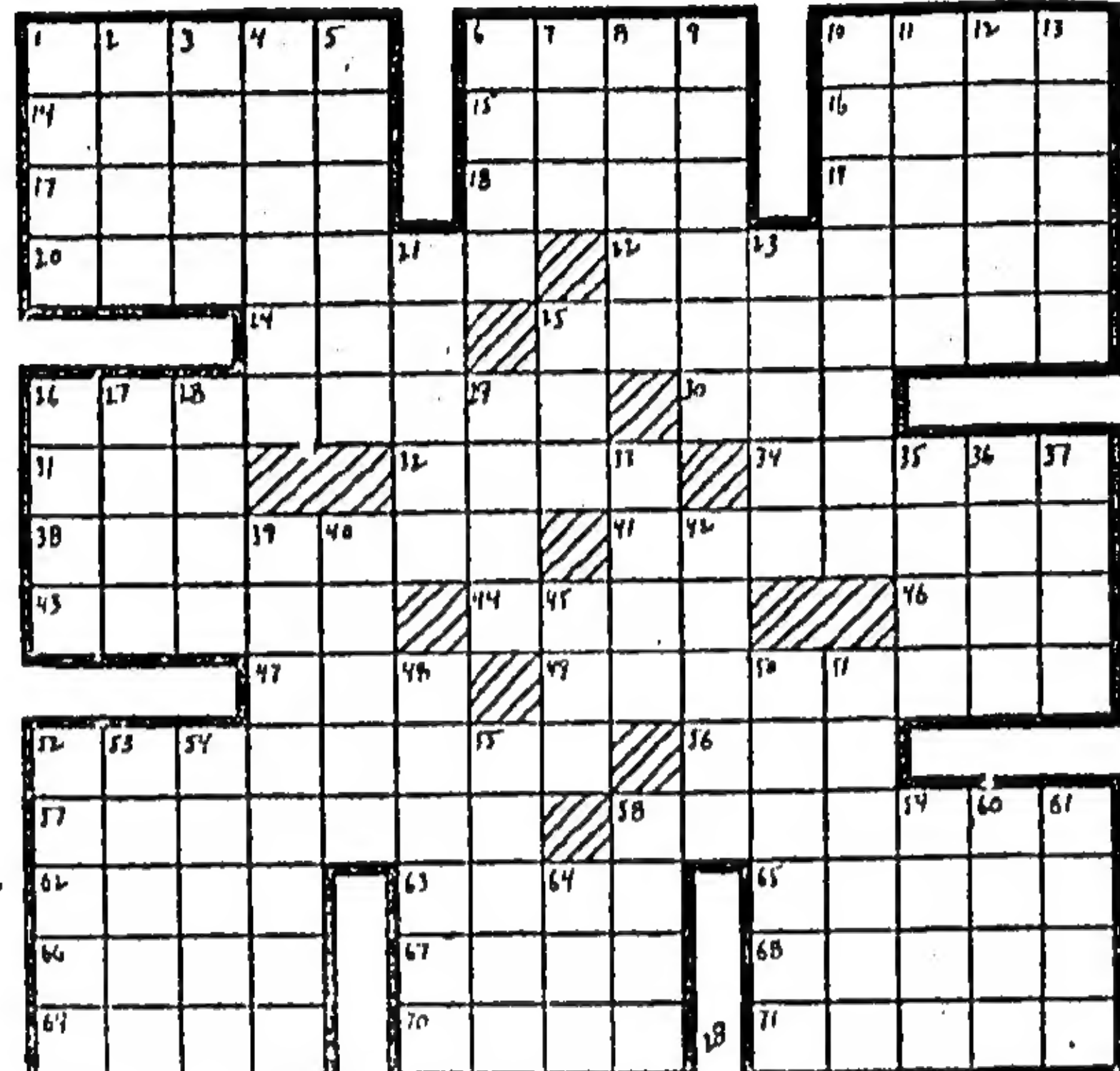
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1—Harbored instrument
2—To
3—Market
4—Direct
5—Thick cord
6—Effective stroke
7—Inland
8—Firm
9—Lying forth young
10—Land-like snow on mountain (French)
11—Conqueror
12—Train of results
13—Up to right
14—Certified as accurate
15—Recall to mind
16—Perfected
17—First as
18—Members of fraternal organization
19—From one side
20—House with office
21—Formally
22—Act of endorsement
23—Acting around
24—Living old
25—This things
26—Made brewed
27—Lenses of lenses
28—Catching cool
29—Quarantined
30—Catches to trap
31—Deeply engaged
32—Due of time
33—Fast Indian plant
34—Productive cotton substitute
35—Joint of leg

DOWN
1—Small piece of ground
2—Make explanation for
3—Japanese coins
4—Long fish
5—Willows
6—Killed
7—Puffed around
8—Make money
9—Exact satisfaction
10—Make up for
11—Those in favor of prohibition
12—Phish
13—Direct
14—Direct-like carnivores
15—Referring to theory based on one principle
16—In line with
17—Musical show
18—Conceded
19—Tactical authority
20—Tortoise
21—Tooth's boat
22—Rudeness attack
23—House of grey
24—High plateau
25—Horse additions
26—Whirled around
27—Darting
28—Boundary
29—Performance
30—Diversity
31—Kind of power
32—Type of fortification
33—The French ship
34—Ruberian plain
35—Actors with mink
36—Lancet with air
37—Pond
38—Wanting in understanding
39—Tremulous
40—Magistrate of ancient Rome
41—Devout
42—Coward
43—Evergreen
44—Obscure
45—Nickname for former President



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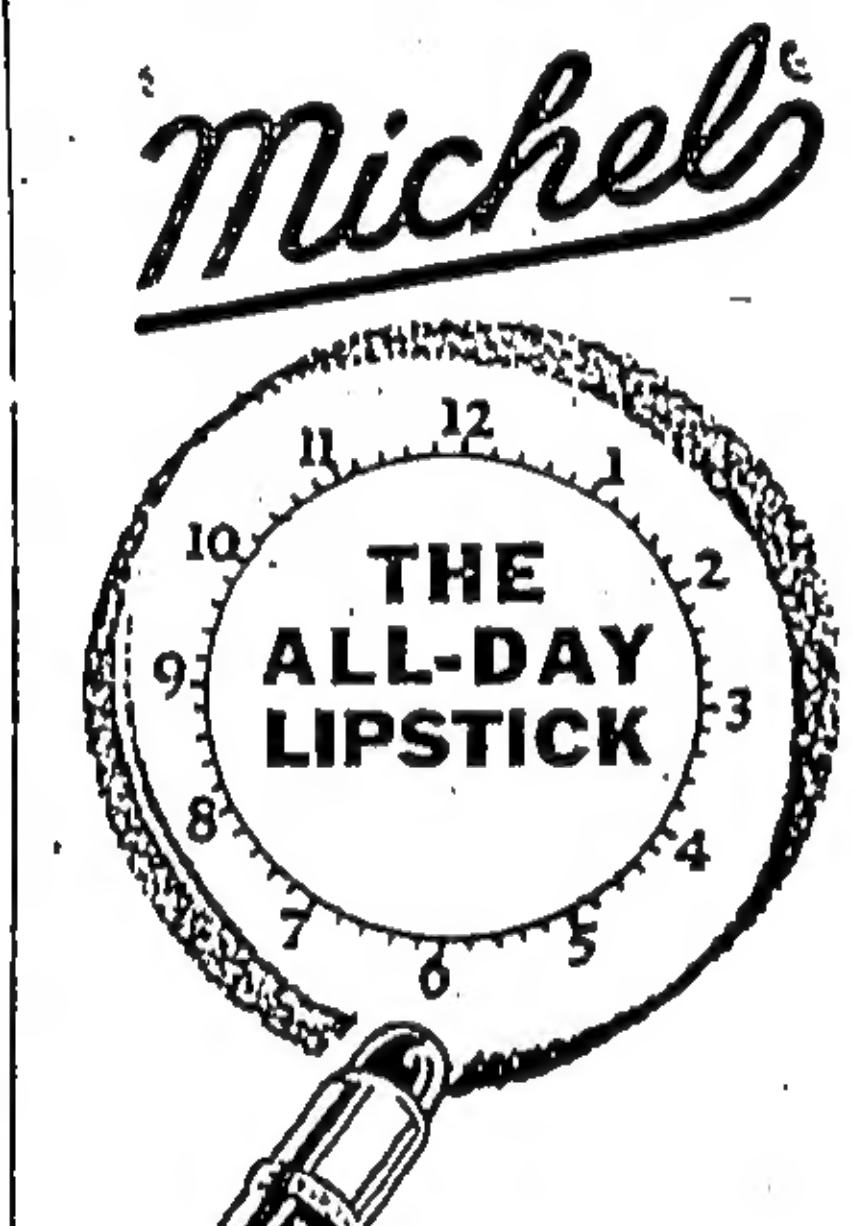
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Impatience Of Public Lack Of News From Western Front

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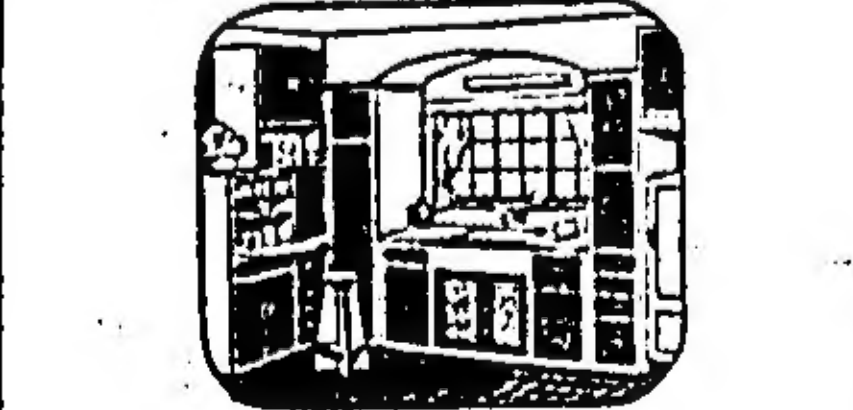


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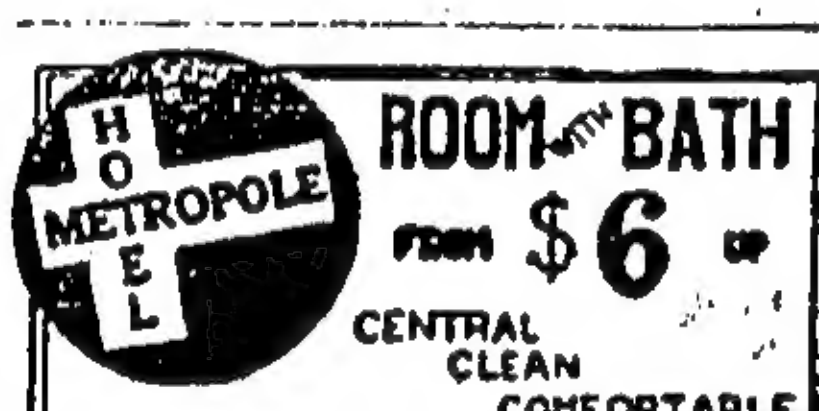
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Summoned for a similar offence, L. Weill, of Polkadam, was fined \$5. Weill left his car parked almost in the centre of Pottinger Street, leaving only enough room for a small car to pass.

B. Shick, of the Hongkong Hotel, was fined \$5 for leaving his car in the Pedder Street park for over two hours on August 24.

Mrs. Johnstone, of May Road, was fined \$5 for allowing her car to remain stationary outside the Hongkong Hotel for longer than necessary on August 25.

INDIAN GUARD DISCHARGED

Kartar Singh, 20, special guard, was discharged by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of malicious damage to a car in Wanchai Road on September 5.

The driver, Ng Kwan, said he saw Kartar poke the hood with his stick and kick the mudguard, while the car was parked outside the Nanyang Tobacco Factory. Ho Pui said he saw Singh kick the car.

BROADCASTING HOURS

Monthly Transmissions By ZBW and ZEK

The August report of ZBW and ZEK shows that actual hours of transmission were 451, of which 231 were devoted to European programmes and 220 to Chinese programmes, as follows:

ZBW (European)

Morning transmission, including church relays, 774; evening transmission, 1534.

Apart from recorded programmes, the following items were broadcast: Studio concerts, 11; studio links, 2; tongue twister bee, 1; relays (including church services), 15; Daventry relays (including news and cricket relays), 123; Sunday evening epilogues, 4; children's concert, 5.

ZEK (Chinese)

Morning transmission, including church relays, 65; evening transmission, 155.

Apart from record programmes the following items were broadcast: studio concerts, 32; theatre relays, 3; studio talks (including Mandarin lessons), 20; and children's concert, 9.

New licences issued were 200 and renewals 395, making a total of 5,735 licences issued during 1939.

SNATCHER'S VIOLENCE

European Woman Attacked In Kowloon Tong

While on her way to visit her daughter in Waterloo Road on August 21, Mrs. Emily Wood, of Embankment Road, was attacked by a man, who slapped her face and snatched her handbag. As a result, Chan Hoi, 28, was committed for trial by Mr. Hingworth at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of robbery with violence.

Det-Sgt. Dowman said Mrs. Wood and her daughter, Lella, were in Waterloo Road, near Rutland Quadrant, when Chan attacked Mrs. Wood. He slapped her face and snatched her handbag, containing \$78.00, a gold watch valued at \$200, and a fountain pen. Chan was arrested by Lau Hing-yu, cook.

On her way to the police station, Mrs. Wood noticed pepper on her face. When Chan was searched, a packet of pepper was found.

Miss Lella Wood said she was about two yards behind her mother. She identified Chan as the attacker.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

The Hongkong Philharmonic Society held a social gathering yesterday evening at St. John's Hall, Garden Road, in order to meet the hon. Musical Director, Mr. W. Robertson, and Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs. The opportunity was also taken to discuss the forthcoming production of "No, No, Nanette."



Daniel Nee, 39, victim of one of the battles in strike-torn Harlan, Ky., coal fields, kisses wife in hospital. He died later of bullet wound in abdomen, second fatality of the recent series of riots.

LATE NEWS

FOOD CONTROL TO-MORROW

The "Telegraph" learns that Food Price Control is to be instituted in Hongkong to-morrow. An Order will be published in the "Government Gazette" which will be issued to-night.

This Order will control the retail prices at which articles of food and drink may be sold to the public.

In the case of any article of food imported from any country other than China and Macao, the retail price may not be raised more than ten per cent. above the retail price prevailing in the Colony on August 31, 1939.

The Order comes into force from the time it is published in the "Government Gazette" and remains in force until further notice.

The penalty for failing to comply with the Order is, on summary conviction, imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or a fine not exceeding \$2,000.

JAPAN TO STAY OUT

LONDON, Sept. 8 (Reuters).—The Ministry of Information states that Japan has notified Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador in Tokyo, that Japan does not intend to participate in the war.

The Japanese Government requests Britain to refrain from measures prejudicial to Japan's position in China.

Food Price Control Precautions

In connection with Food Price Control regulations, which will be announced to-night, several officials have been appointed by the Controller of Food for the purpose of inspecting premises where food is sold or stored. Officers in question have been empowered to inspect any account books or other documents.

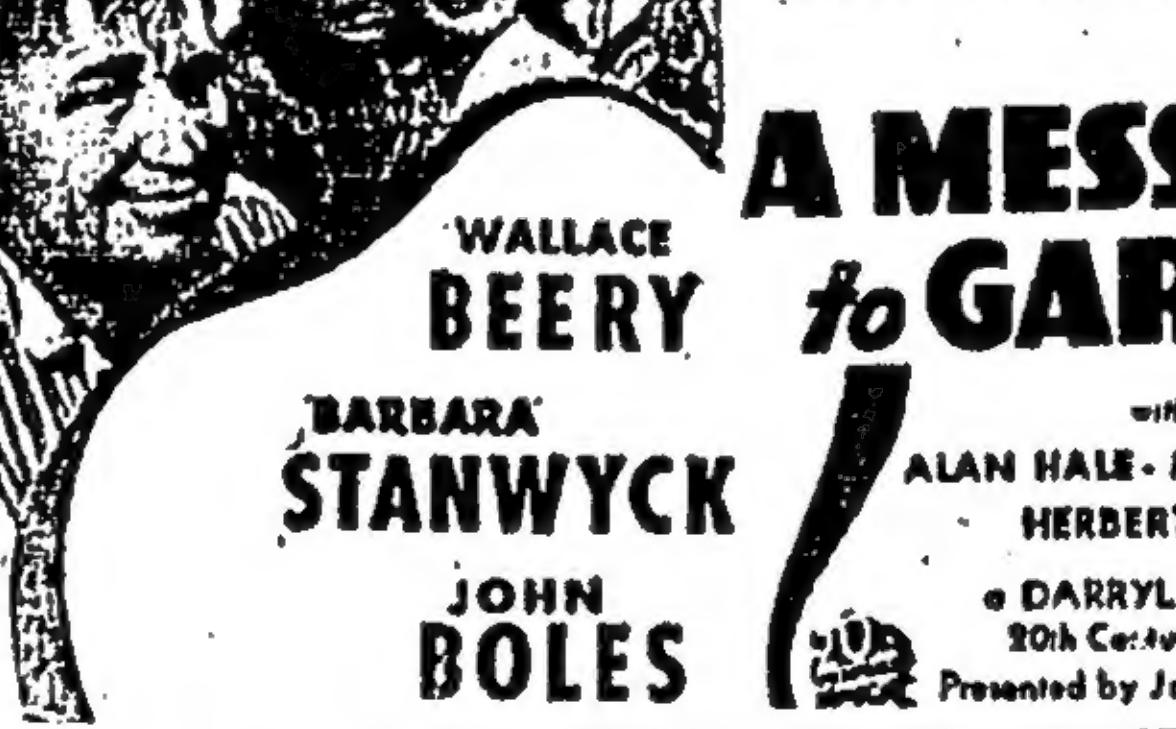
Retailers are to be requested to assist in the prevention of hoarding by selling goods to their regular customers in the usual quantities.

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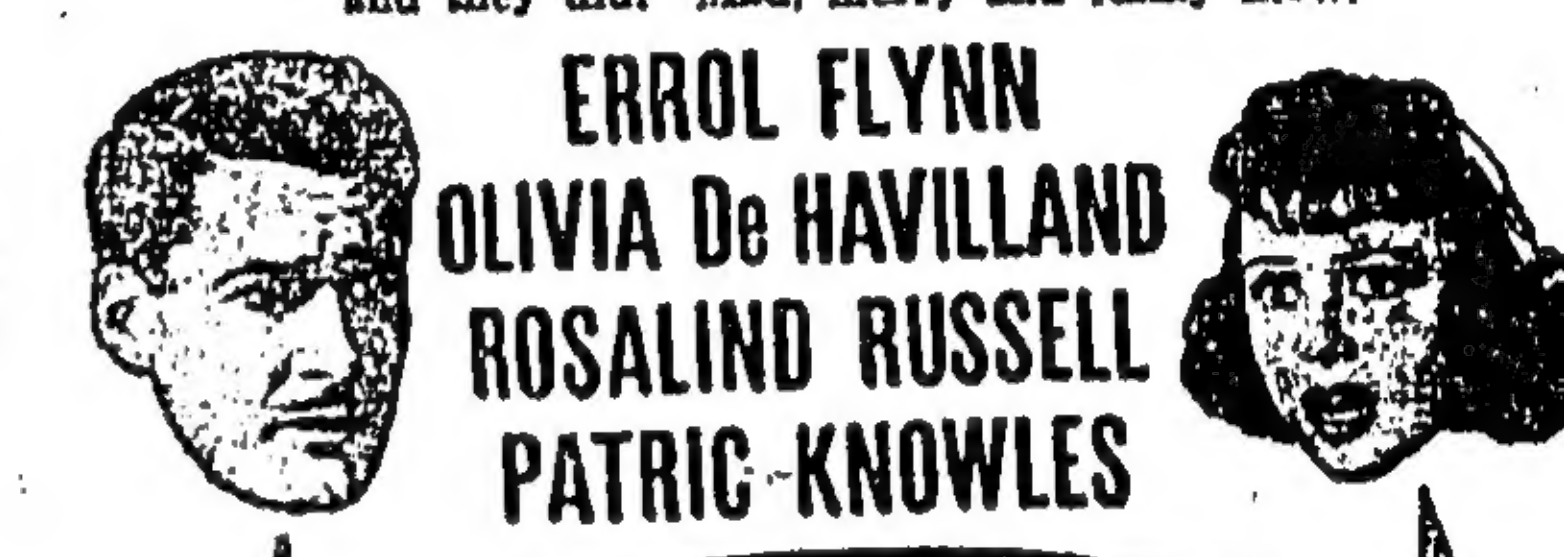
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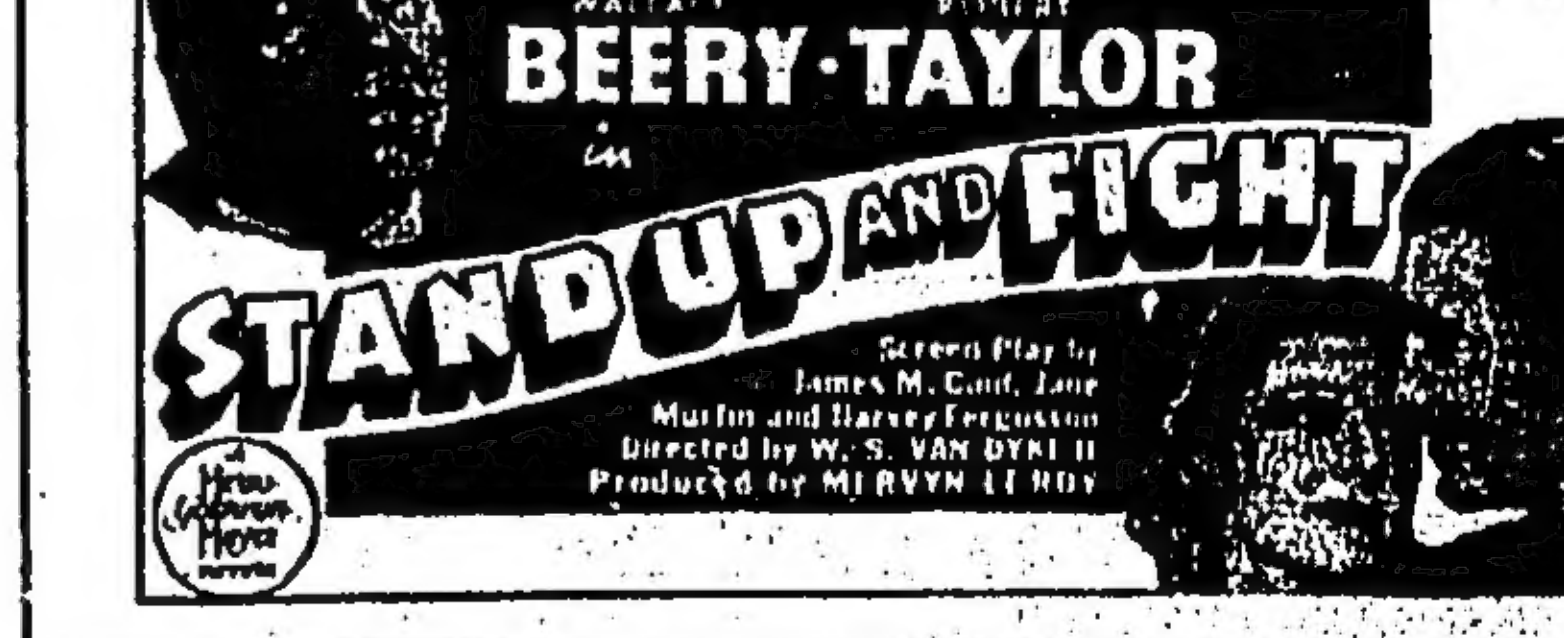
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